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Brigades, in note, urge war on NATO

ROME, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — The Red Brigades, in a six-page statement delivered Saturday, called kidnapped U.S. Brig. Gen. James L. Dozier, "a Yankie pig" and declared war against NATO and the American military, police reported.

Police said they believed the document was genuine. It was the first written message from the terrorists since they snatched Dozier from his apartment in Verona in northern Italy Thursday evening. "War against NATO," read one of the slogans at the end of the message. "Attack the centers, the war strategies, and the bases of the American military machine."

The communiqué was left in a cracker box in a wastebasket on the major Rome thoroughfare of via Settembre. An anonymous telephone caller told a journalist from the Rome newspaper *giornale d'Italia* where to find it.

There was no photo of the general and no reference to ransom demands for his release.

Meanwhile, police using helicopters hunting dogs and armored vans scoured northern Italy Saturday for the hideout of Red Brigade terrorists who say they are holding a U.S. Army general captive in a "people's prison" to face "proletarian justice."

The search for Brig. Gen. James L. Dozier is Italy's biggest manhunt on record, authorities said, even bigger than that for former Premier Aldo Moro. Police set up hundreds of roadblocks and searched homes in Verona, Padua, Mestre, Treviso, Marghera, Vicenza and along Lake Garda and other areas. They also distributed composite drawings of the kidnappers who have not announced conditions for the general's release.

But officials said they were hampered by the fact the kidnappers got a three-hour head start before the abduction was reported to the police. A NATO spokesman said Dozier's abduction Thursday from his Verona apartment was the first kidnapping of a U.S. military officer since World War II. The 50-year-old general is the top ranking army officer of the NATO's land forces in southern Europe. "We claim responsibility for the kidnapping of hangman of NATO, James Dozier," the Red Brigades said in a telephone call to Italy's Ansa news agency Friday. "He is closed in a people's prison and will be tried by proletarian justice."

In Rome, Premier Giovanni Spadolini met with Interior Minister Virgilio Rognoni for the fourth time since Dozier's abduction. Italian officials said they were in "constant" contact with Washington through U.S. Ambassador Maxwell Rabb. In Washington, U.S. President Ronald Reagan called Dozier's captors "cowardly bums" who "don't have a cause that justifies what they are doing." Reagan said the United States was doing everything it could to secure Dozier's freedom. The Defense Department said it sent a six-member liaison team to work with Italian authorities investigating the kidnapping.

The motive for Dozier's abduction was still unclear. The Red Brigades, who kidnapped and killed former Italian Premier Aldo Moro in 1978, have heretofore confined their attacks to Italian authorities. NATO officials speculated the terrorists might have snatched Dozier in an effort to gain secret military information. But NATO spokesman Joe Favorite said that explanation seemed implausible because Dozier, as chief of logistics, was not involved in operations, intelligence or communications.

Sources close to Italian President Sandro Pertini said he believed the Dozier kidnapping supported his frequently-expressed belief that Italian terrorism has its roots abroad — possibly in the Soviet Bloc. Pertini and others have accused the militant Communist Red Brigades of trying to destabilize Italy and thus weaken the West.

Dozier was described as in excellent physical condition. But police and relatives said he apparently was injured when he tried to resist the four men who entered his apartment dressed as plumbers, chained his wife Judith to a chair and carried him off in a truck.

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WARNING IGNORED: Several hundred ducks and geese ignore the warning sign and waddle around on the ice covering a pond in the Cleveland suburb of Strongsville Thursday. Several quackers encountered at the scene also said they were not bothered by the forecast for four or more inches of snow the weather service has predicted for the area.

As Warsaw radio claims normalcy

Walesa calls for mass strikes, resistance

VIENNA, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — Solidarity leader Lech Walesa has appealed through Poland's Roman Catholic church leaders for mass strikes and massive resistance to last Sunday's military takeover, according to a pamphlet circulating in Warsaw.

Travellers reaching Vienna by train Saturday day with a copy of the pamphlet said it had been printed by the free trade union and distributed in the capital and presumably also in the provinces. It said that Walesa's message, dated Dec. 15 and relayed through church leaders, appealed for unity, for mass strikes in major industries and passive resistance in small businesses and for no blood to be shed if the army used force.

The pamphlet said that Walesa, who was detained by security forces early last Sunday, was being held in a villa in the resort town of Konin near Warsaw.

Warsaw radio said in the meantime factories in Poland's capital hummed with production Saturday despite Western diplomatic reports of a go-slow by workers against martial law.

The radio said most factories were working normally although it was a Saturday and shops and restaurants were open. Government offices were also operating, having been ordered to work a six-day week as part of efforts by the military government to enforce discipline and rebuild the economy. The report by the radio contrasted with claims by Western sources Friday of a passive resistance campaign by workers in factories under army control. Workers were idling or failing to cooperate, they said.

Reuter correspondent Brian Mooney telexed his first dispatch from Warsaw Saturday since martial law authorities cut the communication lines of Western news agencies last Sunday. He reported a heavy military

By American specialists

Russian eye cure doubted

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP) — For 12-year-old Todd Cantrell, his just-concluded trip to Moscow meant a chance to have his sight restored. But a number of American eye specialists say the treatment Todd received is worthless.

As one specialist put it: "If you want to save yourself a trip to Russia, go to your supermarket, buy a package of yeast and eat it." The boy's neighbors in Dalton, Georgia, raised \$12,000 to send him to the Soviet Union for treatment of the disease retinitis pigmentosa, which afflicts more than 100,000 Americans. When Cantrell returned to his homeland Tuesday, he indicated the treatment had helped. He didn't have any night vision before, and now he has "just a little."

American doctors who specialize in hereditary eye diseases say they can do nothing to arrest or reverse the gradual loss of sight from the disorder. But the Soviets are injecting patients in the tips and around the eyes with RIBONUCLEIC acid — RNA, possibly obtained from yeast or manufactured in the lab.

Cantrell is one of about 50 Americans who have traveled to Moscow for treatment. At least 11 of them have been tested here before and after their visits to Moscow. "We've found no beneficial effect," says Dr. Elliot Berson of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston, who has examined some of the patients. "Three of the patients we evaluated have continued to progress (worsen) despite the trial," he said in an interview.

"We've really not sure what the source of this material is," says Chader. He has been

working with others at the National Eye Institute to try to begin a cooperative study of the treatment with the Soviets.

Retinitis pigmentosa is one of a group of more than 20 hereditary eye diseases, several of which can be stabilized, that result in a progressively shrinking field of vision. "Each type of genetic disease has its specific enzyme defect," says Dr. Alan Lantes of the University of Pennsylvania.

Doctors now believe, Lantes says, that retinitis pigmentosa is the result of a build-up in the body of some chemical that alters the eyes. That causes tiny bits of black pigment to appear on the retina, affecting peripheral vision and narrowing the field of view.

Lantes says the Soviets are "good people." He adds, "I think that they are just mistaken. They don't claim that they've got any great panacea — they say they're trying something."

One of the Kingdom's leading eye specialists Dr. Akef Maghrabi of Maghrabi hospital in Jeddah said he had not read or learned of a treatment for this condition although he was hopeful that modern science will come out with a cure in the next year or two.

Dr. Maghrabi told *Arab News* Saturday that there was "a fantastic amount of research being carried out to find a cure." This is being done in the U.S. and Europe on a large scale. The few cases that he had seen in the country did not indicate that the disease was widespread, he said.

At a medical conference in the U.S. recently, Dr. Maghrabi talked to a leading Russian ophthalmic specialist who told him that the Russian treatment was a trial but not a definitive cure.

Mubarak welcomes Reagan step Israel assails U.S. for freezing pact

TEL AVIV, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon Saturday hit out at measures announced by the United States in response to Israel's annexation of the Golan Heights.

Speaking on the state radio here, Sharon said the American decision to suspend talks on strategic cooperation with Israel under the agreement signed in Washington a month ago and to waive delivery of a \$200 million defense package "casts doubt on the credibility of any international agreement entered into by the United States." That judgment also applies to the future position of the United States on the Camp David agreements, he added.

The measures taken by the United States were "extremely serious, for they must harm Israel's basic interests and its security," he said. Moreover, the United States had no cause for surprise at the annexation voted by the Israeli parliament Monday — "except perhaps surprise over the moment chosen."

"Washington, in fact, is kept abreast of every Israeli policy line and was aware of our intention not to quit the Golan Heights," Sharon declared. He added that there was "no point" in consulting Washington beforehand in the context of the Strategic Cooperation Agreement, since it (the agreement) does not concern Israel's conflicts with Arabs, but only matters of joint concern with the United States.

Sharon said there had been no reason either way the Golan annexation should have taken Egypt by surprise. "We have permanent contacts and we have more than once told the Egyptian leadership that we would never abandon the Golan Heights because of their prime importance for the security of Israel," Sharon said. "I believe they unders-

tand our problems, and at all events I consider our decision has been more acceptable to them at this stage than after the complete evacuation of Sinai April 25, 1982," he added.

Sharon will be present with Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir at the interview Prime Minister Menahem Begin has requested with U.S. Ambassador Samuel Lewis before Sunday's cabinet meeting, informed sources indicated.

In Cairo, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak welcomed the Reagan administration's decision to suspend its Strategic Cooperation Agreement with Israel. He said "It is an encouraging decision and we hope in the light of what is going on, a reasonable solution."

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Abdullah returns

RIYADH, Dec. 19 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard returned here from Geneva where he underwent routine medical tests. He was welcomed at the airport by a number of princes, ministers and senior officials and officers.

Prince laid to rest

RIYADH, Dec. 19 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd and other princes and ministers led a congregation of Muslims at the funeral prayers for Prince Muhammad ibn Abdullah ibn Abdul Rahman who died Friday afternoon. The prince was later buried here. May his soul rest in peace.

Car bomb kills 11 in Beirut

BEIRUT, Dec. 19 (R) — A car bomb exploded at a petrol station in west Beirut Saturday, killing eleven persons and wounding 14, security sources said.

The blast echoed across west Beirut as rescuers were still searching through the debris of the Iraqi Embassy, shattered in a massive car bomb explosion four days ago that killed at least 32 persons and injured 80.

The security sources said four of Saturday's dead were members of the security forces. They said a patrol had been alerted about a car bomb in the petrol station and as they drew near the suspect vehicle, it exploded. The sources said about 20 kg of explosive had been used. It was not immediately known who was responsible or why the bomb had been planted.

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Municipality allocates SR1b for city projects

JEDDAH, Dec. 19 — Jeddah's beautification program has been allocated SR1 billion for the years 1982 and 1983, according to municipality sources Saturday. The funds include the asphalting, tree-planting and betterment of the city's streets.

Jeddah Municipality Director of Technical Affairs Isam Mirdar said that under the beautification program, final studies for four pedestrian tunnels and a number of flyovers will be completed within a week. The tunnels and flyovers will be built at points of congestion in the city, he said.

One tunnel will be located at the bus station for Makkah and Madinah linking the area to the opposite side on the Corniche Road. A second will be developed near the Red Sea Palace Hotel and Faisaliya Shopping Center, Mirdar said. The third will be located at the Ministry of Posts, Telegraph and Telephones' new building. The site selected for the fourth tunnel is the old fish market and the parking lot downtown. King Abdul Aziz Street area.

Meanwhile, studies are underway to build a number of pedestrian flyovers in places where traffic is hampered by pedestrians.

Royal decrees issued

RIYADH, Dec. 19 (SPA) — King Khaled issued three royal decrees Saturday approving the two clauses of the economic agreement with the UAE concerning the exemption of agricultural, animal, natural and industrial products from customs. Another decree approved the economic cooperation and technical agreement with Indonesia. The third one approved the agreement to set up the Gulf university and its articles of association.

Preliminary selections include a flyover in Madinah Road and another in Prince Fahd Street.

The municipality also is going ahead with its plans to rebuild the old gates of Jeddah. Bab (gate) Makkah, Bab Madinah and Bab Sharif will be built in the same architectural styles and on the same locations where they used to stand.

On the other hand, Muhammad Said Banah, roads department director at the municipality, told *Arab News* that six contracts were awarded recently to national companies for temporary asphalt paving projects in the city. These include resurfacing of old streets and asphalt paving main streets in the new parts of Jeddah. A program has been worked out to pave and illuminate the public gardens in the city. It will be completed by 1983.

Various services for the northern part of Jeddah Corniche will be completed by 1983 at a cost of SR57 million. The northern corniche extends for 40 kilometers. Meanwhile, development of the central part of the corniche will be executed in two phases. The first comprises the Youth Welfare Flyover which starts at the Ruwais lagoon. It will be completed by the end of 1982 and cost SR26 million, the official said.

Banah added that the second phase will link up the first flyover with the Arbaein lagoon at a cost of SR15 million.

The three contracts for the southern part of the corniche have been awarded, he said. The contracts, amounting to SR200 million, will provide for extending the southern coast of Jeddah another 70 kilometers with pavements, lighting, flower beds, gardens and asphalt paving. Work will be completed in 18 months, Banah said.

Labor office efforts aimed to help employee-employer

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Dec. 19 — Labor Undersecretary Ahmad Hamad Al-Yahya reiterated that recruitment offices are trying to stabilize the relationship between the employee and the employer, with the aim of creating an atmosphere in which both parties benefit and help in the development processes of the country.

In a statement published in *Al-Jazirah* Saturday, Yahya said that according to a report of labor agency on the activities of labor offices that 543,707 work permits were granted in the year 1980 recording an increase of 199,422 over the number of year preceding. Most of them were Arab nationals, he said, adding that during the same year, 7,770 Saudi Arabians applied for work at the labor offices and all applicants were absorbed in different jobs in the private sector.

Yahya said that more than 34,000 labor issues were settled by the labor offices in different parts of the country. Of these, 63 percent were minor cases and 11 percent connected with injuries, he said, and added that this figure was insignificant if compared to similar cases in other countries.

Yahya said the labor office exerts maximum efforts to implement the labor law and the provisions of the labor organization. He added that labor inspectors pay

regular and surprise visits to companies, factories and industries, to ensure whether the labor laws are being enforced there. In the year 1980 alone, officials paid 5,356 visits to more than 700 private companies and establishments, he said.

Yahya said the Labor Ministry remains anxious to see that relations between the employee and the employer are maintained on just bases. In order to achieve this objective, a directorate general has been set up to study the statutes of labor and penalties and also to inspect the social services rendered by the social organizations. In 1980, 66 labor organization statutes were approved, and another 250 were approved by mid 1981, from which more than 1.4 million workers had benefited, he said.

Meanwhile, Yahya said the labor ministry participates in the activities of all Arab, Islamic and international organizations that deal with the problems of labor and laborers. The Kingdom has already taken part in the conferences of labor and social affairs ministers of the Arab states of the Gulf. Likewise, it took part in the international labor conferences which were held in Switzerland in 1981. Besides, the Kingdom has so far ratified 13 international treaties and recommendations connected with the laborers in the private sector, he said.

King to grace university day

RIYADH, Dec. 19 (SPA) — The Silver Jubilee celebrations of Riyadh University will be held under the auspices of King Khaled on Dec. 29, Dr. Mansour Ibrahim Al-Turki, the university's rector, said here Saturday.

On this occasion, he said, the King will dedicate the King Khaled University Hospital which is an advanced medical center that serves the objectives of health education in the university. It will also render health service to the public, he added.

Turki said that "I cannot but express the happiness and pleasure of the university staff over Crown Prince Fahd's recent statement to the Saudi Press Agency, in which he had commended the enormous efforts of the teaching staff to enable the Kingdom's universities in general and the Riyadh University in particular to achieve the honorable results."

He said the university will seize the opportunity to honor a number of personalities who contributed valuable efforts to bring the university to its present standard. He added that, during the week-long celebrations, the university will open its doors to the public to see its activities and achievements as well as its services to students and the staff.

Turki said the celebrations will include an exhibition of the activities of the university's various faculties, colleges, institutes, scientific centers and administrative offices, in addition to other projects and academic and cultural activities. Two days will be reserved for women to participate in the celebrations.

Taif tree-plant week dedicated

TAIF, Dec. 19 (SPA) — Emir of Taif Sheikh Saleh Al-Salem attended the special tree-planting ceremony here Saturday in which government departments and private companies and associations are taking part.

The event also was attended by Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid, director of education in the Western Region, and Dr. Hassan Hajrah, mayor of the city, and other senior aides. Twenty thousand saplings will be planted to make the summer resort more beautiful. At the same time, two new public parks were opened at a cost of SR1.5 million, officials announced Saturday.



ARRIVAL: Col. Abdul Aziz Al-Barati (front-left), Yemen Arab Republic chief of armed forces staff, seen upon arrival at Riyadh airport Saturday. He was welcomed by Gen. Muhammad Saleh Al-Hammadi (front-right), chief of staff. Barati, is here on an official visit of few days for talks on coordination and promoting mutual relations, said that he was carrying messages for King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd from President Ali Abdallah Saleh.

Medical aid to Yemen reviewed

SANA'A, Dec. 19 (SPA) — The Health Minister Dr. Muhammad Ahmad Kabab met here Saturday with Saudi Arabian Ambassador Tird Al-Harthi with whom he discussed bilateral cooperation in the development of Yemen's medical services.

They also reviewed the preparations for the opening of the Saada hospital which was built by Saudi Arabia within the framework of ongoing cooperation between the two countries.

The project and several others were decided upon under the agreement signed in Riyadh earlier this year when the Saudi Arabian-Yemeni Coordination Council met to plan projects to be financed during the rest of the year. In health care, the Kingdom has already completed 12 projects including hospitals and will build five more.

The Saudi Arabian government also agreed to continue its budgetary support of

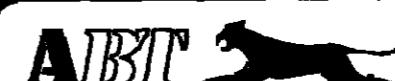
the Yemeni government to the tune of SR345 million a year. In education, the Kingdom has already completed 55 projects of various kinds and has agreed to build three new secondary schools and increase the number of foreign teachers it provides Yemen by 150 to 1,222 in addition to 260 Saudi Arabian educators. The Kingdom pays the salaries of both categories. At the same time, teachers training institutes will be built in the country with Saudi Arabian assistance.

The Saudi Arabian government has been funding several other projects in the country since the early 1970's. They included improvements to existing airports, schools, hospitals, roads and artesian wells.

This year the Interior Ministry shipped a large quantity of goods and equipment to the Yemeni Interior Ministry to be used to improve its services. They ranged from traffic lights to laboratory instruments.

Prayer Times

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Fair (Dawn)	5:28	5:36	5:07	4:48	5:22	5:56
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:18	12:19	11:50	11:37	12:02	12:31
Asr (Afternoon)	3:23	3:18	2:49	3:33	2:57	3:23
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:44	5:39	5:10	4:53	5:17	5:42
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Agriculture firm sells 13m shares

RIYADH, Dec. 19 (SPA) — The National Agricultural Development Company (NADC) has sold about 13 million shares, considerably more than the initial 2.8 million figure floated when the company was formed earlier this year, according to official statistics.

The number of shareholders has reached 127,000 people and reflects the encouragement given to such projects. NADC's establishment was approved by the Council of Ministers in August 1981, with an initial capital of SR400 million. Of this, 80 percent was allocated for public subscription while the state kept the remaining 20 percent.

The company, set up to produce and market various agricultural products and meat, had started with a project at Wadi Harad. Its activities are to expand and cover all areas where agriculture development is possible.

To date NADC has carried out several projects in the Harad valley by farming 2,300 hectares that will produce 10,000 tons of wheat annually. It also utilized 500 hectares for producing fodder to be used for dairy farms. The fodder will be marketed in Riyadh.

The company also is engaged in establishing a poultry farm in Hail to produce

eight million chickens per annum. The farm will use modern methods that will ensure delivery of products to consumers properly packed and kept in cold storage. NADC had ordered 200 milk cows from the United States to increase the capacity of a local dairy project. In addition, an area of 10 kilometers in Wadi Al-Dawasir was brought under cultivation with the use of modern irrigation methods.

The company's board met recently, after completing the subscription of all shares, under its chairman Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh. It reviewed projects being carried out by the company.

Throughout Kingdom

Health Ministry begins polio vaccinations

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Dec. 19 — A Health Ministry vaccination campaign against polio began Saturday and will be carried throughout Saudi Arabia during the next two weeks. The second part of the campaign will be conducted from Jan. 23 through Feb. 6, and the third phase from Feb. 27 through March 13.

According to *Oka*, the campaign is directed at children up to four months old. For children from a year and-a-half years old to six years old, a reactivation dose will be administered. The vaccine will be provided by the ministry in all health centers. All health units will participate in the campaign and mobile units will be used in remote areas. The vaccination will take place during official working hours and a certificate will be delivered at the inoculation site to the parents.

Jeddah residents give beautification money

JEDDAH, Dec. 19 — Jeddah residents have given \$5 million for the beautification of their city, according to Mayor Muhammad Said Farsi. He told *Oka* Saturday that the funds will be used to place aesthetic sculptures in various parts of the city.



Health Ministry begins polio vaccinations

Children under cordon treatment, running a fever or suffering from diarrhea or other illnesses will not be vaccinated until they are well. The same also will apply to children vaccinated a few days prior against other diseases.

Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Bakri of the ministry's Preventive Medicine Department said that polio begins with a cold and diarrhea and a few days later degenerates into paralysis of important limbs, the throat or the respiratory tract. He urged people to go to health centers and have their children vaccinated.

The government's health policy is to provide adequate preventive and curative health services free of charge or at nominal rates to everyone in the Kingdom, according to the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency's annual report for 1980. Total appropriations for the Health Ministry during the Third Plan will be SR34.9 billion, in addition to allocations for other ministries and government agencies involved in health care, such as the Ministries of Education, Defense and National Guard, the King Faisal Specialist Hospital and the Saudi Red Crescent Society.

Among the most important achievements

of the Ministry of Health has been the establishment of five modern hospitals at Jizan, Jeddah, Hofuf, Alkhobar and Madinah with a total capacity of 2,275 beds. The hospitals include laboratories, blood banks, outpatient clinics and personnel housing. Work is underway on three new hospitals at Tabuk, Najran and Hail, with a total capacity of 600 beds.

A number of hospitals for the Ministry of Defense and Aviation, the National Guard and the Public Security Administration also are in operation, serving the employees of those agencies, their families and other citizens in certain cases.

The Health Ministry has established about 200 dispensaries and has designated a number of dispensaries to be turned into primary medical care centers. At the end of 1399 (1979), its medical staff numbered 13,654, representing a rise of five percent over the previous year. During the Third Plan, the ministry aims to increase the number of hospital beds to 2.2 per 1,000 citizens and to improve the ratio of physicians to population to 5.9 per 10,000.

To sign security pact

Prince Naif goes to Manama

JAMMAZ, interior undersecretary for administration; Hamad Al-Shawi, director of the interior minister's department; and Said Ali Al-Sheblan, the director general of the prince's office for studies and research, as well as other senior officials from the ministry.

The action comes in the wake of Bahrain's arrest of 60 Gulf nationals who were involved in an alleged Iranian-backed plot to stage a revolution in Bahrain during the island's 10th independence day anniversary cere-

Hotel managers see oversupply in future

By Maher Abbas

JEDDAH, Dec. 19 — As a result of the increase in hotel rooms, occupancy rates have fallen, and hotels have recorded significant decreases when compared to last year.

Michel G. Prelorenzo, manager of the Kaki Hotel which has 193 rooms and 22 suites, believes that the construction of new hotels in Jeddah would lead to the closing of a similar number of hotels of the same grade. He urged investors to use their money in other projects since hotels no longer are as profitable as they used to be. "In a few years to come, you will find first-class hotels giving cheaper prices than second-class hotels because of the hotel proliferation," he said.

Recently Ahmad Babgi, head of Jeddah's Chamber of Commerce Research Center, told *Arab News* that a survey conducted by the center has led to the suspension of new licenses issued by the Commerce Ministry for new hotels here. The study by the center on the hotel industry here revealed that the occupancy rate is very low and business in that sector has reached the saturation point with 5,000 rooms in 48 hotels.

The survey's results were passed on to the ministry with a recommendation to stop issuing further licenses. Licenses for new hotels have not been issued for the last eight months. "Only people who already had secured licenses prior to that period are now constructing new hotels," Babgi said.

According to Rashid Farram, manager of the 250-room Al-Attas hotel here, the pilgrimage season is the peak for the hotel in view of the ever-increasing number of pilgrims and business visits that follow the Hajj period. The slow period is from mid-December to mid-January when European business take vacations in their countries, and in the summer when Saudi Arabian businessmen spend their vacation abroad.

He thinks that too many hotels is a loss, because unlike supermarkets, the increase in the number of hotels could affect their economic viability — a matter that inevitably would harm the hotel industry as a whole throughout the country.

Farram also believes that Jeddah needs no more new hotels, especially with the trend now taken by the companies to set up housing compounds for their personnel to avoid high hotel prices. The permanent client has become a rare commodity, says Farram, and with him disappeared the long-duration reservation. Hotel sojourns are getting shorter and shorter, and so more emphasis is laid on hotel marketing from abroad.

Arab and national manpower in Al-Attas is scarce because it is costly, which is the reason why the management hires foreigners, Farram added. Yet hotel service has improved in Jeddah, compared to what it was four years ago since the increase in hotels, competition and imported manpower. But because supply is destined to exceed demand with the new hotels being built, hotel occupancy will fall from the average of 75 percent



Rashid Farram



Antoine Al-Sokhn

occupancy many hotels now have, Farram said.

In Kaki, the peak period also is during pilgrimage. For the rest of the year, customers fill 60-80 percent of the rooms. The dead season is mid-December to mid-January. To build competition, Kaki hotel built a modern conference center for businessmen and governments. But already the number of customers this year is, for the first time in Jeddah hotels, less than last year — most probably because of the new hotels. A total of 47,880 were lodged in 1980. The hotel grants annual leave to the staff during the dead periods. Unlike Al-Attas, the staff majority in Kaki hotel is Arab.

The same dead season (mid-December to mid-January) affects the Sheraton hotel which has 563 rooms, 14 suites and several restaurants and ceremony and conference halls. The hotel relies on the exhibition and fair season to make up for that stagnation period. But here Arab manpower is less than 10 percent. Among the 700 staff members, 60 are Arab.

Mazen Al-Ghammaz, the marketing director of the Meridian, is also of the view that if there had been fewer customers during the 1981 pilgrimage season than the previous year, it is because of the increase in hotel numbers and rooms. He is certain that at present supply is double the demand of hotel rooms, hence the growing importance of hotel marketing lest competition would seriously affect the position of existing hotels.

According to George M. Tori, the hotel's general manager, competition makes it imperative to give better food but also better services so that the client may feel at home. And it will only be after some time that the effervescent commerce activity in Jeddah will fill the present room capacity. Competition will become fiercer between the new hotels and the old ones.

One of the newest hotels in Jeddah is Hyatt Regency, which has 303 rooms and a number of royal suites. It hosted its first customer in October, 1980. A month ago, its luxury class was inaugurated on the sixth floor for the very special guests. Not only the hotel had

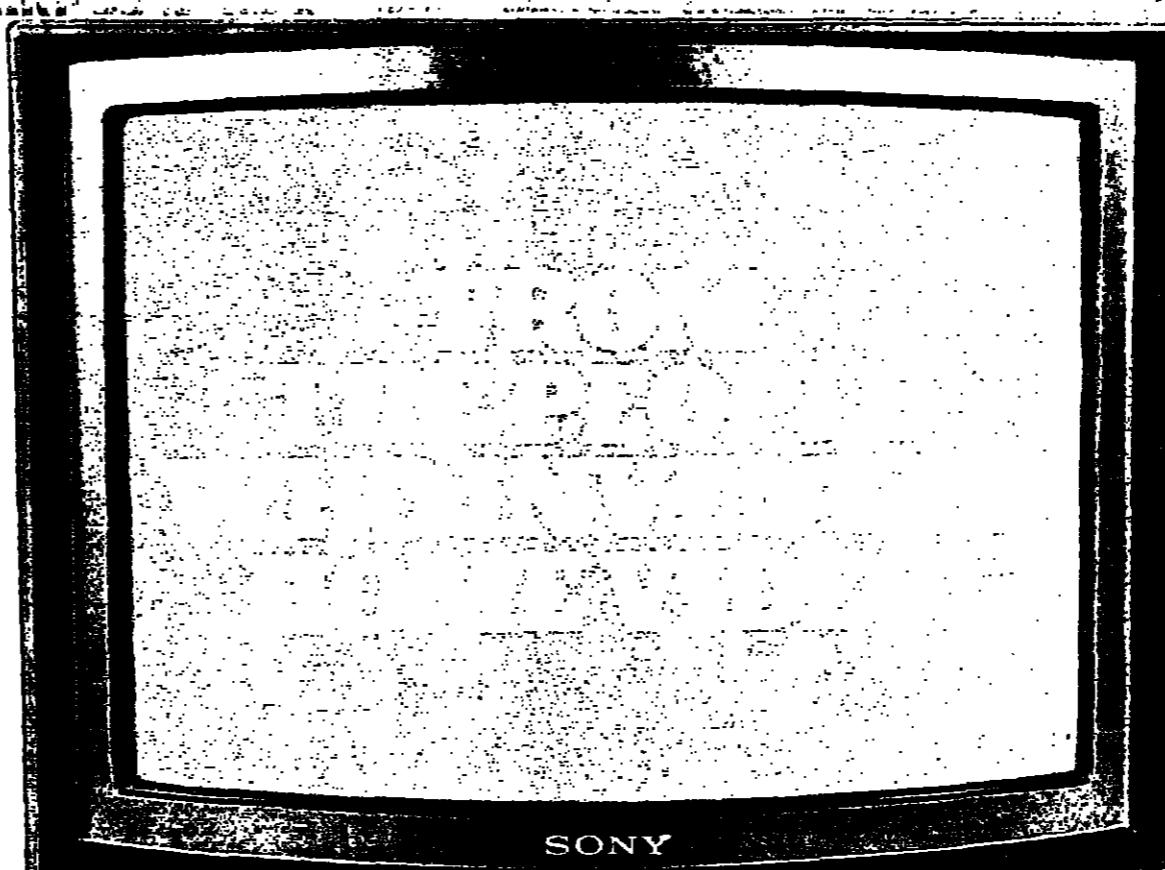
Giving another example of Hyatt Regency's competitive moves, Sokhn said that the hotel is providing transport to its tenants from and to the airport and other facilities. For this perhaps and other reasons, an average of 82 percent of all the hotel's rooms were occupied throughout 1981, which means 90,156 customers. They included 31,000 Europeans; 27,047 from the Middle East; 20,706 from the United States; 6,312 Asians and 4,507 people from Africa.

Another 3,567 new rooms will be added in the city. They include 1,108 in luxury class hotels by the beginning of 1983. In fact three such hotels obtained licenses, in addition to five first class hotels about to see the light and provide 1,475 more rooms. Also, seven second class hotels under construction will add 993 rooms to the number.

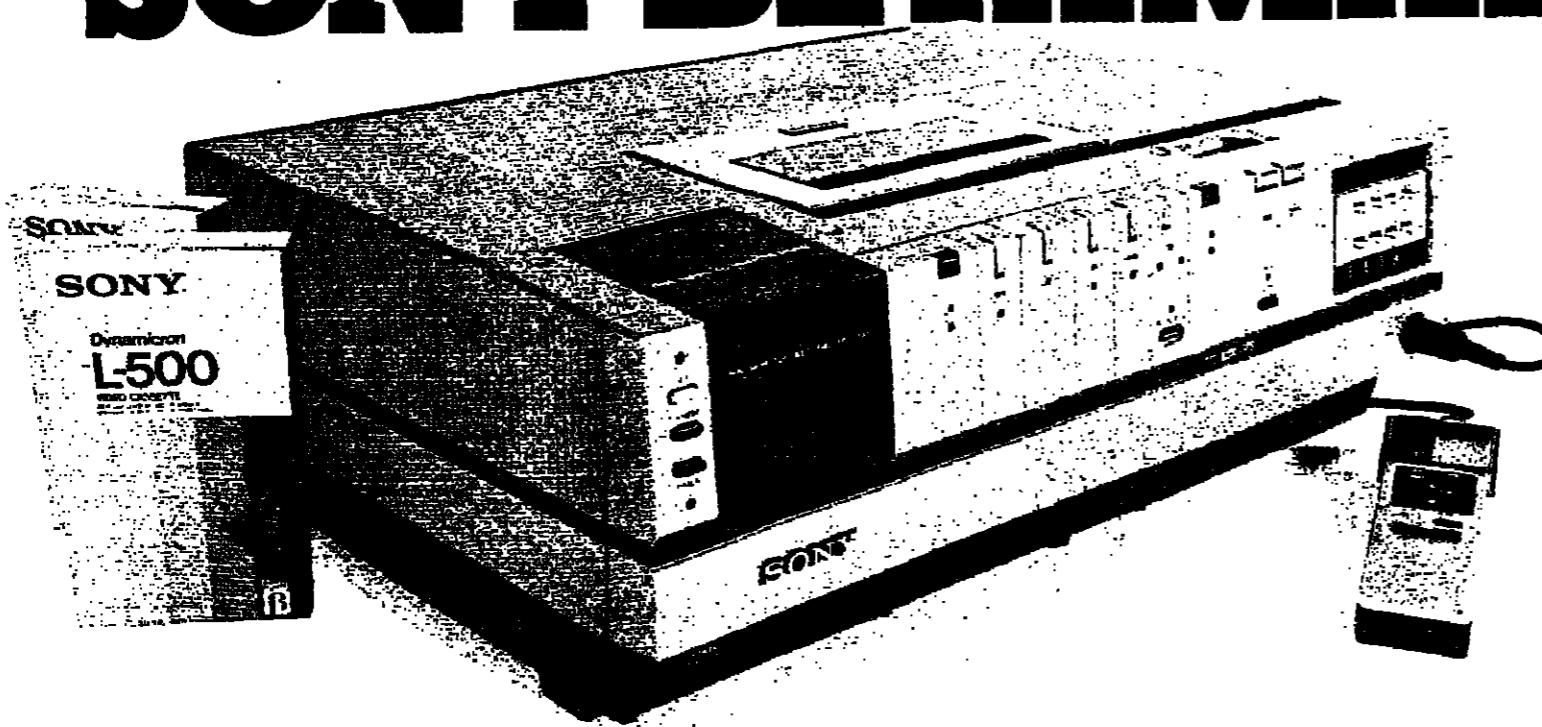
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Pakistan denies boosting troops on Indian border

NEW DELHI, Dec. 19 (AP) — The Pakistan Embassy took issue Friday with the reported statement of a visiting Pakistani diplomat implying a recent increase in Pakistani military forces along the Indian border.

Visiting Pakistani Ambassador-at-large A.K. Brohi was quoted by the United News of India (UNI) agency as saying that the bulk of Pakistani troops were deployed along the Indian frontier only after Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi this year began mentioning the possibility of war.

The Pakistan Embassy declared there had been "no augmentation or change of any

kind" in the deployment of Pakistan forces at the Indian border in recent months.

Pakistan's ambassador to India, Abdul Sattar, amplified the statement by telling a reporter that the only change in deployment has been to the north and west, where the number of divisions was increased from one to four. Pakistan is bordered on the north and west by Iran and Afghanistan, while India lies on its eastern and southern borders.

Brohi was reported traveling outside of New Delhi and could not be reached immediately for comment.

Turkey, China to cement links

PEKING, Dec. 19 (AP) — China's top leader Deng Xiaoping and Turkish Foreign Minister Ilter Turkman agreed Saturday on major international issues and pledged to expand bilateral relations, the official Xinhua news agency reported.

"It is very important to expand relations between China and Turkey," Vice Chairman Deng said. "We have no differences on major international issues. We hope our cooperation will be even better in the future," he said.

Turkman said the interests of both coincide and the prospects for better relations and broad cooperation are good. Turkman said his people greatly admire China's achievements and present policies.

"We believed so long as the Chinese government continues to implement these policies, China's economy will develop rapidly," he said.

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For another six months

UNIFIL mandate extended

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 19 (AP) — The U.N. Security Council has extended the mandate of the U.N. Interim Force (UNIFIL) in southern Lebanon for another six months. By a vote of 13 to zero, with absences from the Soviet Union and East Germany, the council Friday reaffirmed the original 1978 resolution setting up the peacekeeping force.

It was the 11th resolution on UNIFIL since 1978.

The resolution did not call for an increase in the number of U.N.-sponsored troops — now at 6,000 from 11 countries — in Lebanon, despite a request earlier in the week from Ambassador Ghassan Tuenni, Lebanon's permanent representative at the United Nations, for no less than 1,000 additional men.

The resolution extends UNIFIL's term until June 19, 1982. The U.N. peacekeeping force was sent into Lebanon three years ago to oversee the withdrawal of Israeli forces following their occupation of the territory. Israeli forces went into southern Lebanon to fight against Palestinian commandos.

The resolution also authorizes UNIFIL to work toward the restoration of international peace and security and to assist the Lebanese

government in ensuring the return of its effective authority in the area.

It calls on all parties concerned to work toward "consolidation" of the July 21, 1981 ceasefire and supports the reconstruction efforts made by the Lebanese government, "in particular, the restoration of Lebanese government authority in that region and deployment of substantial contingents of the Lebanese army in the area of operations of UNIFIL."

The resolution also requests that the U.N. secretary-general, a post to be held by Peruvian diplomat Javier Perez de Cuellar as of Jan. 1, 1982, continue discussions with the government in Beirut toward establishing "a joint phased program of activities to be carried out during the present mandate of UNIFIL, aimed at the total implementation" of the resolution.

And the resolution says the Security Council will review, within two months, the situation "as a whole."

"What we are asking without changing the mandate, is a more dynamic, more forceful, more determined exercise of UNIFIL's mandate," Tuenni said, addressing the council.

Tuenni said he supported the request by outgoing Secretary-General Kurt Wal-



Ghassan Tuenni

dineim's that the council "give serious attention to the appropriate strength of UNIFIL." In a report released earlier this week, Wal-

Arab League chief confers with Mitterrand

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP) — French President Francois Mitterrand met with Arab League Secretary General Chedli Klibi for more than an hour Friday to discuss Israel's annexation of the Golan Heights.

After the meeting, Klibi told reporters he had thanked Mitterrand for France's condemnation of the annexation.

"Israel must understand that its friends, whether they are in Europe or America, will not tolerate indefinitely its fait accompli," Klibi said.

Klibi also said he told Mitterrand France could play an important role in helping solve the Middle East crisis.

U.S. Congress doubles aid to Cyprus

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — Although a U.S. congressional agency said the need for U.S. relief aid to Cyprus has "greatly diminished" and the U.N. office handling the program wants to get out of it, Congress this week appropriated double the amount requested by the administration of President Ronald Reagan.

At a time when many federal budgets are being slashed, Congress voted \$15 million for aid to the Mediterranean island nation for the fiscal year ending October, 1982 — the same level approved for the past four years.

The administration of former President Jimmy Carter, in each of its last two years, requested only \$2 million but Congress upped the sums to \$15 million. The Reagan administration had asked for \$7.5 million.

"This is a political program," a congressional source said. Congress has voted the high levels of aid, the source said, because it felt that since the Turkish occupation of part of the island the Greek Cypriots have gotten a "raw deal."

Administration officials gave credit for the congressional action to the lobbying of Greek-American groups and effective work by the Cypriot Embassy.

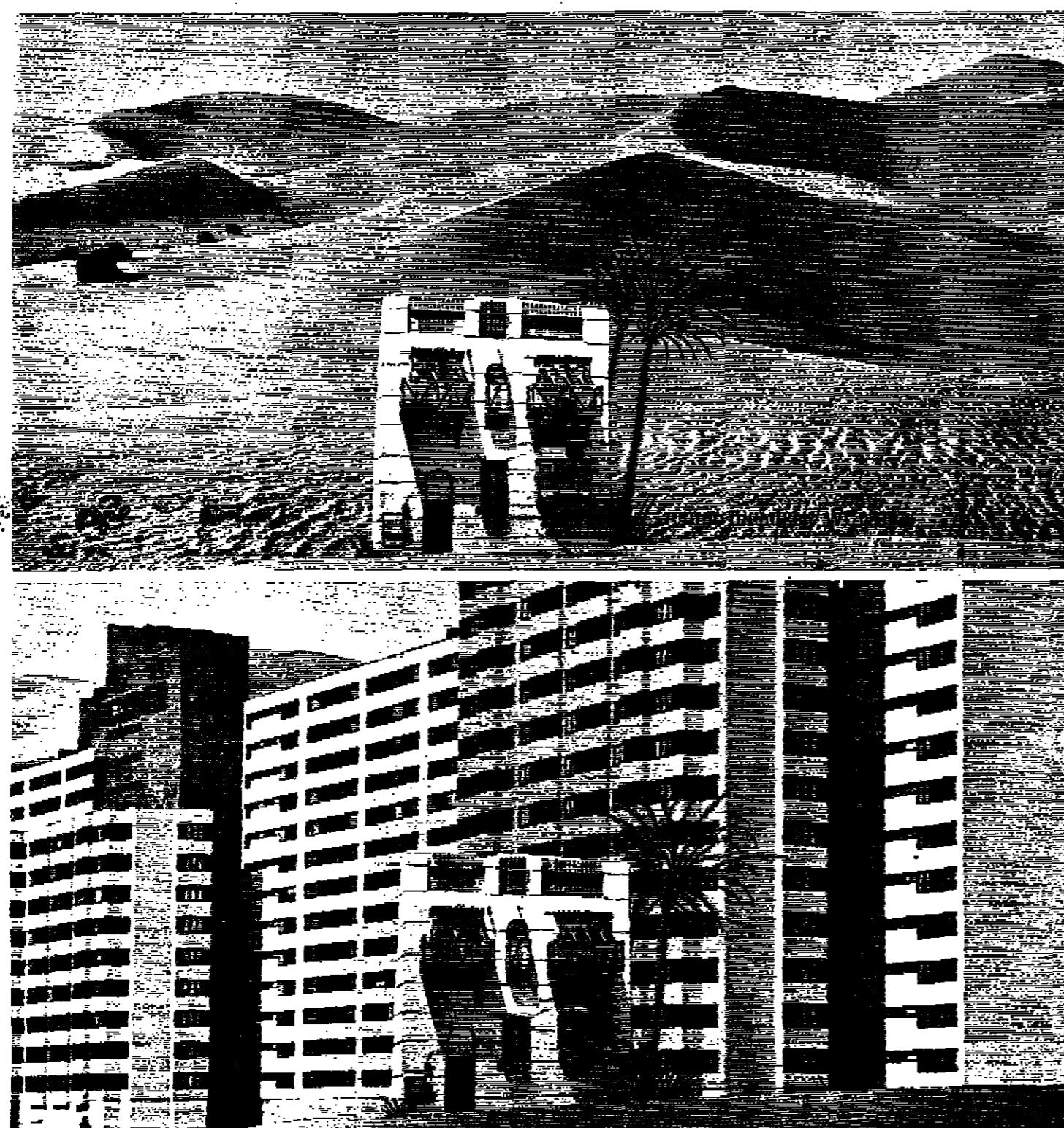
Communist China seeking Israeli advice on farms

TOKYO, Dec. 19 (AP) — Communist Chinese rural authorities want Israeli advice on planning agricultural villages, the *Maoist* newspaper has reported. The newspaper quoted Prof. Raanan Weitz, who attended a U.N.-sponsored development conference in Nagoya, Japan last week, as saying Communist Chinese experts told him they would like Israeli cooperation in developing their agricultural villages. Weitz heads the settlement department of Israel's Jewish Agency, a semi-governmental authority responsible for planning cooperative farms and rural settlements.

Weitz's spokesman refused to add to the newspaper report, published last Monday. He said the Israeli Foreign Ministry requested that his office refrain from releasing more information on the Communist Chinese contacts, which he described as delicate. If in private they expressed an interest in Israeli experience, said spokesman David Angel, it is not an official request. "Since the dialogue started on a personal level, we don't want to endanger it."

Weitz chaired a conference committee which compiled reports on village development in mainland China, India, Bangladesh, Indonesia and the Philippines. He said difficulties cited by the Communist Chinese experts at the conference were similar to those encountered by Israel in the early 1950s, and said the Chinese said their collective farms were changing from strict communal settlements to cooperative farmsteads similar to those in Israel.

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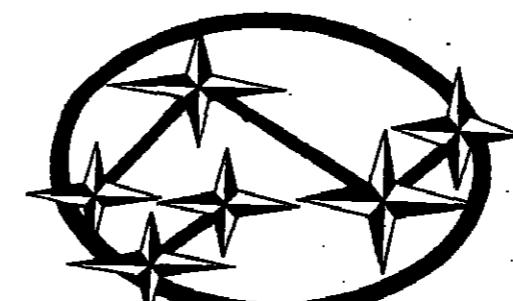


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DIPLOMAT RESCUED: Rescue workers are pulling out Aziz Rashid, an Iraqi diplomat from the rubbles of the destroyed Iraq Embassy in Beirut Friday. The diplomat who was trapped under the fallen building for three days was unconscious when he was extricated.

AP-NBC News poll shows

Americans favor ban on Libyan oil

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP) — Americans familiar with reports that Libya has dispatched an assassination team to kill President Ronald Reagan and other top American officials, Qaddafi denied the accusations and challenged the Reagan administration to prove the claims.

Amid tightened security at his news conference in Washington Thursday, Reagan said he believed the reports and said it would be "foolish" to relax increased security.

In the poll, 59 percent said they think the threat to Reagan is serious, while 22 percent said it was not and 19 percent were either not sure or said they had not heard or read of the reports.

Among those who said they had heard or

read of the assassination plot reports, 57 percent said the United States should stop buying oil from Libya, 27 percent said the United States should continue buying Libyan oil and 16 percent were not sure.

Eighty-seven percent of the poll respondents who had heard or read of the assassination reports said America should not take military action against Libya, compared with only 6 percent who said there should be a military response and 7 percent were not sure.

The results of AP-NBC News poll can vary from the opinions of all Americans because of chance variations in the sample.

Since Sadat's assassination

Tourism having bleak time in Egypt

CAIRO, Dec. 19 (ONS) — Egypt is looking forward to the holiday season with unusual enthusiasm. Holiday traffic in and out of Cairo will, for a period at least, fill some of the craft seats and hotel rooms left empty by the missing tourists.

Since President Sadat's assassination, tourism here has been having a bleak time. Normally the industry would just be entering the peak season for visitors from Europe and the United States, which now provide over 50 percent of Egyptian tourist traffic.

Instead airlines are flying in half empty. For those heavily dependent on package tourists, the load is more like 25 percent of capacity. A journalist flew in from Rome last week on an Airbus with only eight passengers,

and this is by no means an isolated case.

For the first time in years, getting a hotel room in Cairo is not a problem. Luxury hotels like the Sheraton and Hilton are still claiming 80 or 90 percent occupation, but their lobbies and coffee shops, normally inundated with tour groups, are unusually quiet.

The same goes for restaurants, where only local trade and visiting businessmen are keeping them afloat. There are tour groups but on nothing like the usual scale. Young budget travelers staying in cheap hotels and spending little predominate.

At hotels outside the city center, many of them recently built, occupancy is as low as 50 percent and this in a city where average occu-

pancy is well over 90 percent year-round. Taxi drivers are having a hard time as Egyptians relish the opportunity to haggle for lower fares.

For hotels in Luxor and Aswan, and for the Nile cruise boats, life is even tougher. The winter months are their peak period, yet occupancy is as low as 35 percent. Cruise boats are offering package trips for two-thirds the normal price.

The slump is not simply a blow to airlines and hoteliers. It hits the economy too. Tourism is Egypt's fourth largest source of foreign currency. Last year it brought in an official \$572 million but in reality much more, since so much currency is changed on the black market.

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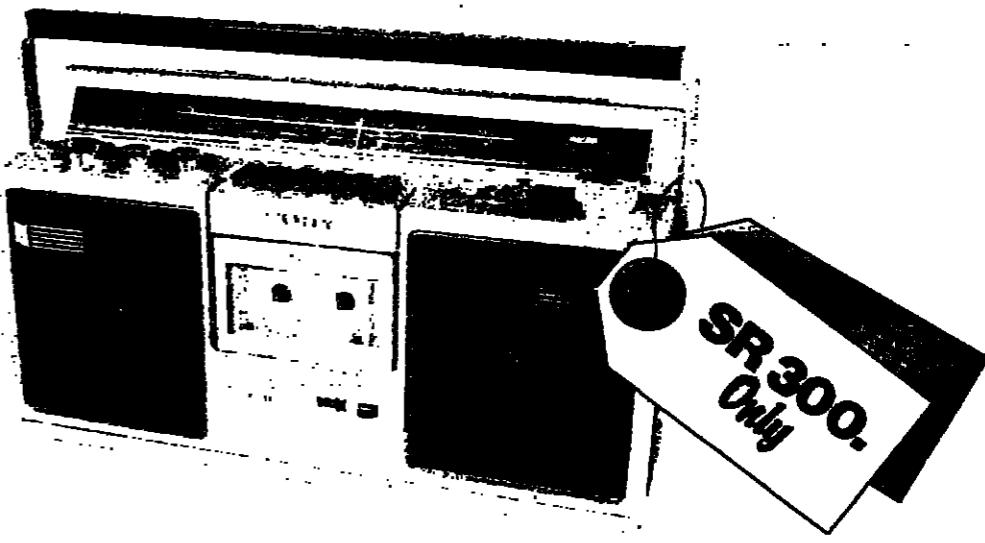


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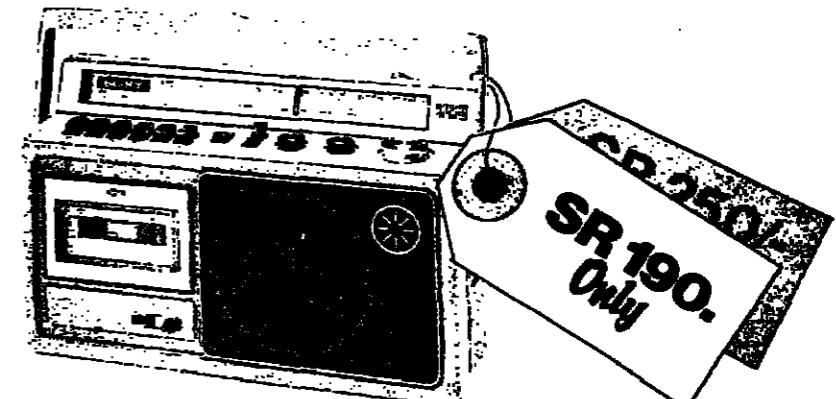


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Emigration wave underway

Polish refugees increase

By Michael Dobbs

WARSAW (WP) — Even before last week's Polish crisis, every evening, just before 6, the grandly named Chopin Express pulls out of a suburban Warsaw railway station bound for Austria. The passengers are predominantly young, enterprising and traveling out of a sense of despair. Most are leaving their homeland for good.

The travelers aboard the daily train to Vienna form just part of the biggest wave of emigration from Poland since the Communist takeover after World War II. Disenchanted with life here and future prospects, more and more Poles are turning their backs on their own society with the hope of starting afresh in the West.

The birth of the independent trade union movement Solidarity in August 1980 released great hopes for reforms in the Communist system. But, as the economic and political problems have mounted, the initial optimism has dwindled. Many young Poles are no longer prepared to wait to see how the revolution turns out.

Other Communist countries in Eastern Europe have experienced similar waves of emigration in the past. An estimated 180,000 Hungarians fled their homeland after the Soviet invasion in 1956. And in 1968, the crushing of Czechoslovakia's experiment in "socialism with a human face" resulted in an exodus of 100,000 Czechoslovaks. What is remarkable about the present exodus from Poland, however, is that it is taking place before rather than after any major act of repression by either the Polish authorities or the Kremlin.

This year, according to officials here, the number of permanent Polish refugees is likely to reach the 1968 Czechoslovak level. Another 100,000 or so Poles are believed to have extended their stay in the West on a temporary basis. In the event of a Soviet invasion or the imposition of martial law, they are unlikely to return.

By contrast, in 1980 only 8,000 or so Poles stayed permanently abroad.

The refugees leave by whatever means they can. Practically every Polish tour group to the West loses one or two of its members these days, and sometimes the number of defections is spectacular. When the Polish cruise ship *Stefan Batory* docked in Montreal last month, 106 passengers and four crew members asked for asylum.

The rate of attempted or successful hijackings of Polish internal flights by would-be emigrants is running at two or three a month. Last September, for example, a group of 12 young men hijacked a Warsaw-bound plane to West Berlin. Another 12 passengers took the opportunity of staying in the West with the result that, when the plane finally got back to Warsaw, it was half empty.

The most popular route to the West, however, is the Chopin Express.

The scene at Warsaw's Gdansk Railway Station the other day, as the train was preparing to leave, was somber and sad. Practically all refugees travel under the guise of tourists and are thus violating Poland's passport laws which require them to return home by a fixed date. Final goodbyes with family and friends had been said long before and the platform was almost empty.

Asked why so many people were traveling to Austria, a railway guard said: "That is the private secret of each person aboard. None of them will discuss their real motives with a stranger. It's only once they get to Vienna that they declare themselves refugees."

He looked around at the dreary, ill-lit station and added: "I can't say I really blame them."

Kingdom's hospitals keeping pace; new surgery techniques introduced

By Naeem A. Toosy

JEDDAH. — Amid the increased vigor of the arms race and a new wave of violence, another type of "renaissance" is also gaining momentum. The rebirth in clinical research and discoveries doesn't promise to be an end unto itself but rather a harbinger pointing toward new medicinal and surgical cures for today's "top problems." This renaissance seems to have sprung up as a result of the recent technological revolution involving the emergence of lasers, sophisticated computers and progress in the field of microelectronics. For the first time in a long time the experts are being flooded with new information, and it has been even longer since the public took an active interest in science. For the skeptics the advent of books like those of Dr. Lewis Thomas which often appear on the best-seller lists is ample proof of renewed public interest.

Another reason for renewed public interest has been advancement of surgery in countries like Saudi Arabia. Here hospitals are springing up all over the place equipped with modern intensive-care units, incubators and extremely advanced radiological diagnostic units to assist surgeons. New surgeries in such hospitals as the King Faisal Specialist Hospital (performing open heart surgeries) and long-serving, experienced surgeons (one of which has been performing total hip transplants for the last decade) have increased public confidence in modern medicine.

Advancements have mainly been made in the fields of orthopaedics, cardiovascular surgery, and ophthalmology. New technology has affected the cure and prevention of cardiovascular diseases (the top killer with one million death in the U.S. only). New diagnostic techniques include such methods as nuclear scanning and positron emission tomography (or in other words tracing gamma rays or positrons emitted by different types of tissue with affinity to radioactive ions by one or more cameras that translate the image via sophisticated computers).

New drugs that have so far proved to be successful in experiments include such drugs as prostacycline, which helps in atherosclerosis (hardening of arteries), streptokinase (dissolves clots in blood vessels), and a range of new drugs called calcium blockers which

will control the inflow of calcium ion in the heart. Calcium is believed to be an important chemical governing the stimulation and subsequent contraction of the heart muscle.

Says cardiologist Eugene Braunwald: calcium blockers "are too good to be true." Another technique has been to insert a catheter with a balloon on the other end into a narrowed artery. After the balloon has been centered it is inflated to widen the artery. This inexpensive procedure (balloon angioplasty) is probably the answer to at least 5 percent of the by-pass operations. Recently cardio-vascular research has produced "a succession of miracles after another," as Roman DeSanctis of Massachusetts General Hospital describes it.

Britain can be said to have been the Italy of orthopaedics renaissance where this zest for innovation seems to have originated by such men as prof. Sir John Charley and Dr. Thomas Barlow approximately 20 years ago. Here the cooperation between surgeon and engineer and the emergence of a new breed, the biomedical engineer, has made artificial joint implanting and designing relatively trouble-free. Approximately 50,000 Britons alone are walking around with artificial joints.

An even greater miracle was seen recently when an artificial heart was transplanted in a human and helped sustain life for two days until a donor heart could be brought in. Experimental hearts have sustained life in calves for months. A designer of artificial hearts says "if it survives a day, it is likely to survive a year."

New materials such as Vitallium, Polyethylene and Silicon have led man to develop implants that the body "accepts." In Japan surgeon Yasuto Itoh has replaced 2/3 of a cancer-infected bone with an artificial bone of Titanium and Polyethylene. Scientists are even predicting that one might be able to "regrow" limbs.

Getting back to the present, we see that surgeons are able to straighten horribly contorted spines where the jaw has been lodged against the chest making it impossible for people to eat. Simple tests are now given to all babies so that congenital hip dislocations can be corrected as early as possible. Furthermore it is even possible to shorten tall peo-

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*Vietnamese boat people slow***Departures unpredictable, Thailand is avoided**

By William Branigin

BANGKOK, Thailand (WP) — After an unexpected surge early this year that alarmed refugee officials, the number of Vietnamese boat people arriving at other shores in the region has dropped off sharply in the second half of the year compared to the same period in 1980.

Various explanations exist for this development, not least the vagaries of the monsoon. But refugee officials here say a major factor is a crackdown on illegal departures because the exodus is severely damaging the country's economically fishing fleet.

Despite the crackdown, however, it is clear that Vietnamese are continuing to try to flee their homeland and that the rate of departures remains essentially unpredictable. It also appears that there is little other countries can do to discourage the Vietnamese from leaving. They keep coming out despite increasingly vicious pirate attacks and various aspects of "humane" treatment.

According to U.S. statistics, less than 17,000 Vietnamese boat people arrived in the region from July through October 1981 compared to a little more than 24,000 during the same period last year.

"I attribute this to a shortage of boats and enforcement of Vietnam's policy on illegal emigration," a U.S. refugee official said. He said there was no evidence that a U.S. decision this year to reduce the intake of Vietnamese refugees from 160,000 to 100,000 has deterred boat people from leaving their country.

The official said that aside from concern about the fishing fleet, he believed another Vietnamese motive in cracking down on illegal departures was that they continued to reflect badly on Hanoi's international image.

At the same time, officials said, the Vietnamese have allowed a sharp increase in legal emigration under the U.N.-sponsored Orderly Departure Program. The number of these departures started going up in September and reached a high of 1,723 in October — more than double the monthly rate earlier in the year — before dropping in November because of technical problems in arranging aircraft, a U.N. official said.

Some officials speculate that the rise in orderly departures might be linked to the concerns about keeping boats in Vietnam.

According to Western diplomats, Vietnam has been hurt not only by losses of boats, but by the disappearance of engines, fuel and skilled people.

Because of the tightened restrictions against boat-people departures, the Vietnamese have not had the freedom to fish

that they had before, diplomats said. In addition, they said, Vietnamese authorities have been pressing ahead with efforts to "collectivize" fishing by requiring fishermen to turn over their catches to the government.

"All this has hurt the fishing industry," one diplomat said. He noted that fish constitutes "a principal source of protein" for the Vietnamese. Combined with shortages of other foods, notably rice, the decline of the fishing industry thus threatens more widespread malnutrition in Vietnam, diplomats said.

Western diplomats and Thai officials also report an influx of Vietnamese fishermen into neighboring Cambodia, which is occupied by as many as 200,000 Vietnamese troops.

Vietnamese fishermen have been going into Cambodia for at least a year and have established fishing settlements on the shores of the Tonle Sap Lake and on both banks of the Mekong and Tonle Sap rivers, according to refugee reports quoted by the officials.

According to one report, the Cambodian deputy director of the fisheries department in the Phnom Penh government's ministry of agriculture said earlier this year that one reason she defected and fled to Thailand was that the Vietnamese were taking over the Cambodian fishing industry. The former official asserted that fishing equip-

ment donated by international relief organizations was reaching these Vietnamese settlers.

Besides decimating its sea-going fishing fleet, the boat-people exodus has hit the Hanoi government with a brain drain.

According to U.S. surveys, Vietnam has lost a lot of Viet Cong cadre as well as doctors and members of the middle class.

In one recent random sample of arriving boat people, most were middle-class city dwellers, and 30 percent had either worked for the U.S. government in Vietnam or had been closely associated with its policies and programs. Only 7 percent were farmers and fishermen.

Earlier this year some refugee officials were alarmed by a sudden spurt in arrivals of boat people in the region, especially during the spring when the number increased 25 percent from last year. For the first half of the year, a total of 49,239 boat people arrived in various Asian countries compared to 40,587 in the first half of 1980, according to U.N. figures. Although the arrivals were far fewer than during the exodus of 1979, some officials saw a worrisome trend.

Nevertheless, overall boat-people arrivals in the region declined during the second half of the year, with Thailand showing an especially sharp drop.

The arrivals in Thailand during the first half of the year averaged 2,570 a month compared to 2,360 a month during the same

period last year. But in the second half of this year the average has plunged to about 400 a month through the end of November, compared to 1,023 a month for the same period in 1980.

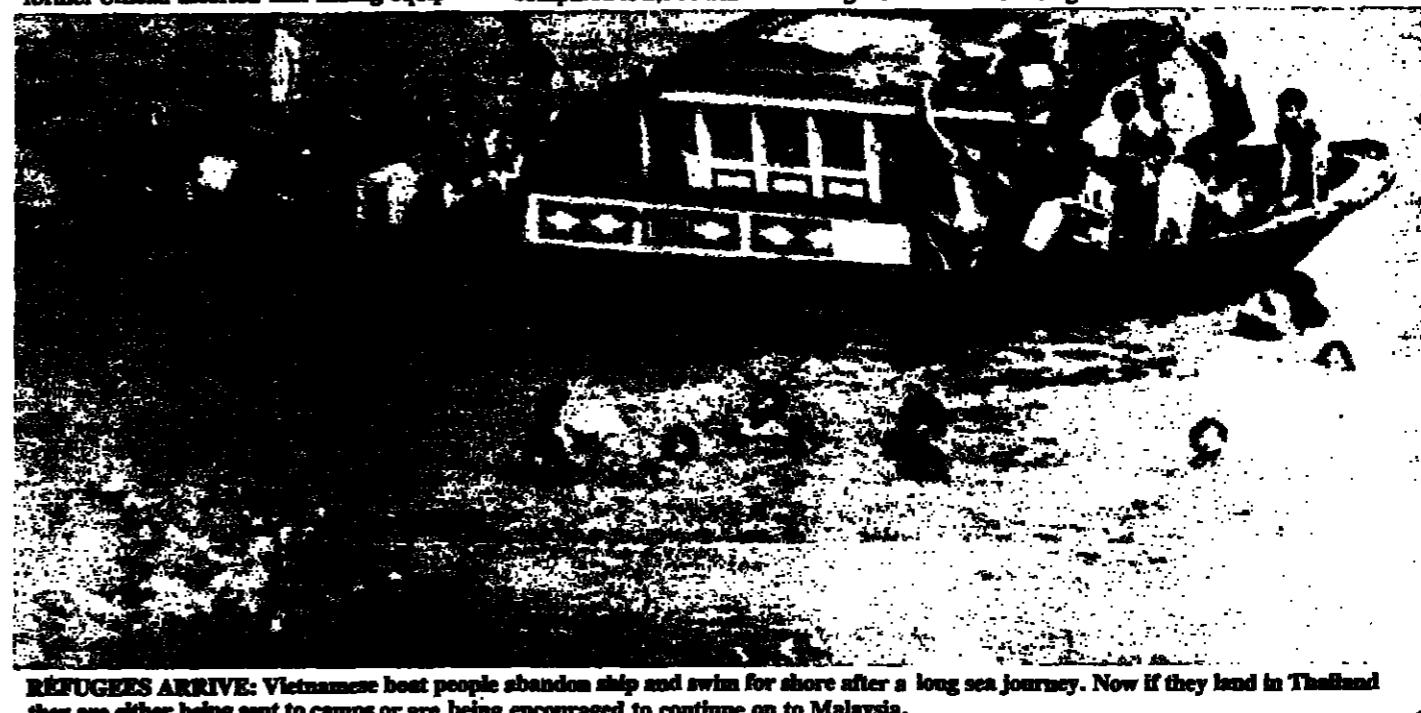
Refugee officials attribute this change primarily to fear of Thai pirates, whose attacks on Vietnamese refugees have been growing more frequent and brutal. A second reason, they said, is a tougher Thai government policy designed to discourage Vietnamese refugees.

Thailand announced several months ago that after Aug. 15, arriving Vietnamese boat people would no longer be eligible for resettlement but would be placed indefinitely in austere camps.

These factors have not staunchly stopped the flow of boat people, but have made many of them try to avoid Thailand. In fact, according to refugee officials, a number of Vietnamese arriving on Thai shores have asked to be towed out to sea to make the short jump from Thailand to Malaysian territory.

The Thai government evidently encourages this. It has instructed Thai district authorities to provide fuel, food and water and to repair Vietnamese boats — up to a cost of about \$300 per boat — if the Vietnamese want to continue their "onward journey," refugee officials said.

Partly as a result, only 233 boat people arrived in Thai camps in October, compared to 2,384 in Malaysia, according to U.N. figures.



REFUGEES ARRIVE: Vietnamese boat people abandon ship and swim for shore after a long sea journey. Now if they land in Thailand they are either being sent to camps or are being encouraged to continue on to Malaysia.

Mercenary attack on Seychelles poorly prepared; its failure could mean the end of similar attempts

By Bernd Debussmann

VICTORIA, Seychelles (R) — Hands tightly manacled behind his back, the captured mercenary blinked into the blazing tropical sun as he stepped from the half-light of his prison cell to face journalists' questions on his role in an attempt to overthrow the government.

He shuffled uncomfortably in front of the green cell door and explained that for a down payment of \$1,000 and the promise of another \$10,000, he had agreed to take part

in an operation to reinstate the former president.

"Mongon, Monton? I'm not sure of his name," said 38-year-old Aubrey Brooks, one of six mercenaries captured here after an all-night battle for the international airport last month.

The Nov. 25 fighting shattered the calm of an Indian Ocean archipelago chiefly known as a tropical holiday paradise, with beaches of brilliant white sand, crystalline blue waters, lush green jungle mountains, and a people with a reputation for non-violence.

Brooks' admission of ignorance provided an illuminating post-script to the abortive coup attempt in the Seychelles.

In a radio interview in London, former President James Mancham said the first he knew of the coup attempt was when an anonymous telephone caller appealed to him to support a resistance movement in the Seychelles.

The inglorious end of the operation — most of the men involved fled by hijacking an airliner to South Africa when the going got tough — was in stark contrast to the romantic picture of mercenaries painted by novels and films such as *The Dogs Of War* or *The Wild Geese*.

Despite the glamor often associated with white mercenaries in Africa, few operations carried out by "dogs of war" in recent years have been successful.

Those that failed ranged from the rout, capture and eventual execution of American and British mercenaries in the Angolan Civil War to the hasty retreat of a plane load of soldiers of fortune from Cotonou, capital of what then Dahomey and is now Benin.

The mercenary invaders of the Seychelles flew into this island capital aboard a chartered DC-9 and took off again as soon as they realized they might have to do battle on a larger scale than they had expected.

Only one mercenary operation in recent years was entirely successful — the May 13, 1978, coup which toppled Ali Soilih, president of the Indian Ocean islands of the Comoros, and restored his predecessor, Ahmed Abdallah.

The Comoros coup was spearheaded by a band of white mercenaries led by French-born Bob Denard, a veteran of African jungle warfare in the 1960s, when the Congo was a byword for anarchy, chaos and corruption.

Denard fought alongside Col. "Mad Mike" Hoare in the "5 commandos" which pushed several hundred miles through the Congolese jungle to rescue white civilians encircled by anti-government rebels in Stanleyville, now Kisangani.

Hoare's Congo exploits formed the basis of the film *The Wild Geese*, which the mercenary leader was portrayed by Richard Burton.

Now 62, Hoare is alleged by one of the mercenary captives to have led the attempt to topple the Seychelles Socialist government of President Albert Rene. He was one of 44 men who fled to the South African port of Durban by taking over an airliner when government troops gained the upper hand.

One of the prisoners held in the Seychelles capital of Victoria, Marin Dolincheck, told reporters he had arrived in advance of the

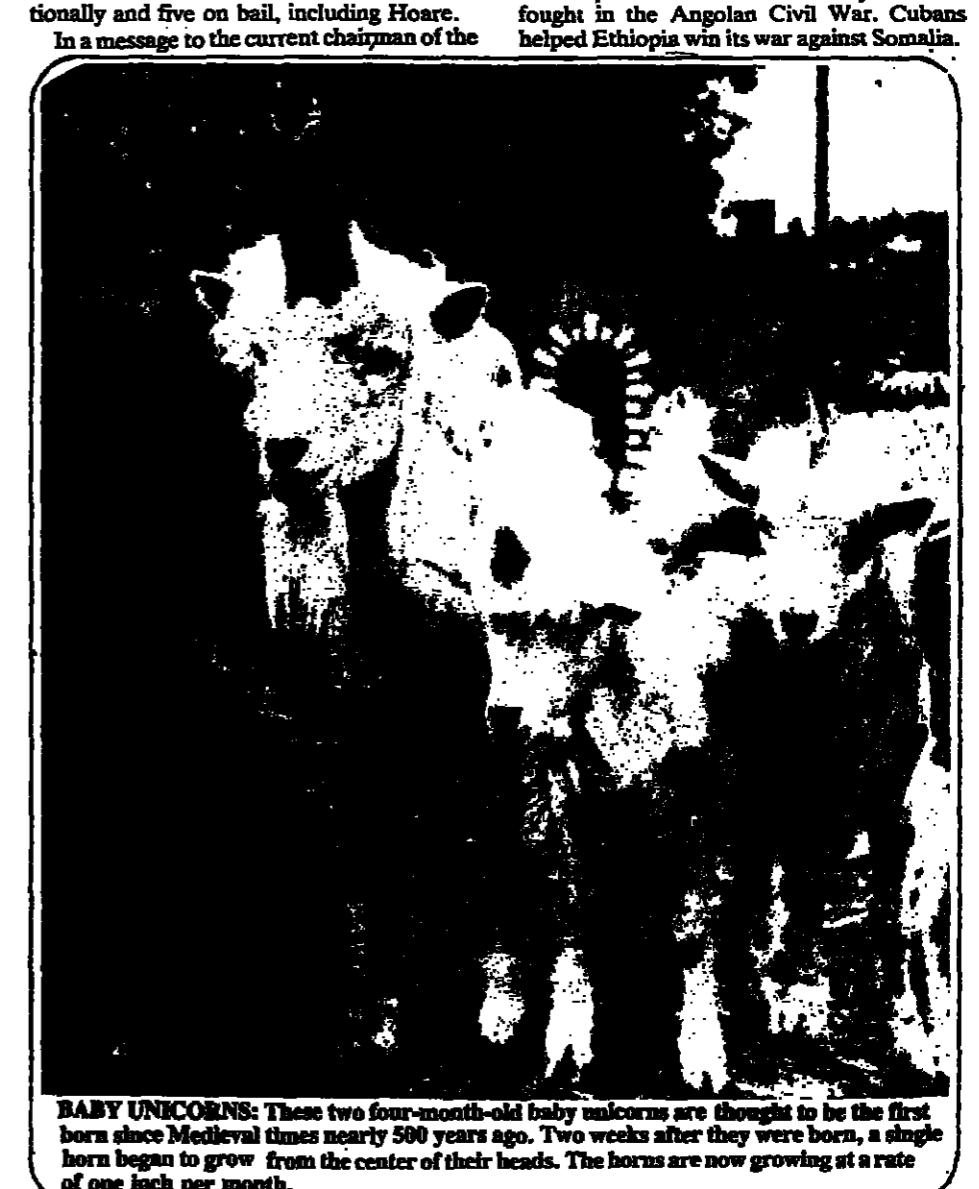
50-nation Organization of African Unity (OAU). Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi, President Rene said it was regrettable that so few states had so far joined an OAU convention on "mercenarism."

Completed in 1977, the "convention on the elimination of mercenarism" has so far been ratified only by a dozen OAU members, with the Seychelles one of the first countries to go so.

The 15-article convention defines a mercenary as anyone fighting essentially for private gain and stipulates that the term does not apply to a person "sent by a state other than a party to the conflict on official mission as a member of the armed forces of the said state."

The clause, according to diplomats here, was introduced at the insistence of African governments who have called for or provided military assistance to others.

"And that's rather a long list," said one envoy. "President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire has relied on French, Belgian, Moroccan, and Egyptian troops to keep him in power. Uganda's Idi Amin was toppled with the help of the Tanzanian army. Cubans fought in the Angolan Civil War. Cubans helped Ethiopia win its war against Somalia."



BABY UNICORNS: These two four-month-old baby unicorns are thought to be the first born since Medieval times nearly 500 years ago. Two weeks after they were born, a single horn began to grow from the center of their heads. The horns are now growing at a rate of one inch per month.

Belgium stresses loyalty to NATO

BRUSSELS, Belgium Dec. 19 (AP) — Belgium's new center-right government stressed its loyalty to the NATO alliance's decision to deploy medium-range nuclear missiles in Western Europe.

Prime Minister Wilfried Martens, sworn into office Thursday, also said Friday Belgium "will review every six months in consultation with its allies" the progress made at the U.S.-Soviet arms reduction talks in Geneva, Switzerland.

"Within the framework of the alliance," he said, Belgium "will draw the necessary conclusions" based on the results of these talks. The security of our country is based on the solidarity of the NATO allies," he added. According to NATO plan, 48 of 572 medium-range missiles would be deployed in Belgium by 1983.

Martens, as part of his austerity program, asked the parliament for emergency powers until the end of 1982 to straighten out the Belgian economy.

Belgium's unemployment, according to Common Market figures, stands at 12.8 percent, the highest rate in the Common Market. Belgian official figures show it to be 10.8 percent, which is a national record.

The new government is made up of Christian Democrats and Liberals. Each political group is split into a Dutch and French-speaking camp, making the new government a four-party alliance. It holds 113 of the 212 legislative seats.

New helicopter tested

CULVER CITY, California, Dec. 19 (AFP) — The successful test flight of the world's first helicopter without a tail rotor was announced by the Hughes Helicopter Corporation.

The firm announced that it has replaced the back rotor, which maintains the stability and maneuverability of the helicopter, with an air-circulating system that improves safety and lowers maintenance costs. It said the modified helicopters would not be put on the market before the late 1980s.

After days of preparation Balloon flight postponed

JAIPUR, India Dec. 19 (AP) — After days of preparations and hours of uncertainty, the re-launch of the balloon *Jules Verne* on its globe-circling flight was postponed early Saturday for at least two days and possibly weeks.

Balloonist Maxie Anderson emerged from the flag-draped gondola just before 2 a.m. (2030 GMT Friday) and told a weary ground crew that it appeared that the swift surface winds had prevented inflation of the 20-story tall balloon were not going to abate in time to launch before favorable weather conditions aloft deteriorated.

"I hate to give up but I think we're just wasting our time," Anderson said. Anderson, 47, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, said the next potentially favorable weather system would arrive over northern India on Monday and that it might be possible to launch the *Jules Verne* then.

If not, he and co-pilot Don Ida face the onset of holidays and likely would dismiss

their volunteer crew, putting off a re-launch for several weeks.

Anderson called the onset of brisk surface winds "ironic" because this had not been a launch factor in the 10 days that the crew has been waiting in Jaipur, India's "pink city," for favorable weather conditions aloft.

Anderson and Ida of Boulder, Colorado launched the first leg of the flight from Egypt last Feb. 12. The mission covered 4,553 kms before a leaking vent on the balloon envelope forced them to land in northwest India.

From Jaipur, about 480 kms southwest of the February landing site, the crew hopes to steer *Jules Verne* on a more southerly course that will miss the highest Himalayan peaks.

This time a "chase plane" will monitor their planned flight across parts of three continents, the Pacific and the Atlantic.

Ida and Anderson hope for winds of at least 160 kms an hour to enable them to move eastward at least 3,200 kms a day.

Kennedy killing

U.S. panel rejects '2 gunmen' theory

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — A draft report by a National Academy of Sciences committee concludes that the "two gunmen" theory of the assassination of U.S. President John F. Kennedy is probably wrong, NBC television news reported Friday night.

Spokesmen for the academy said, however, the report had not been reviewed and NBC quoted the chairman of the panel, Professor Norman Ramsey of Harvard University, as warning that changes were possible.

The "two gunmen" theory arose from the work of acoustic consultants to the now-defunct house select committee on assassinations. That committee said there was a high probability that two gunmen fired at President Kennedy, based on "scientific acoustical evidence."

That evidence, examined by the house committee's consultants, was a police tape recording made the day Kennedy was shot in Dallas, Texas on Nov. 22, 1963. The consultants said they believed the tape caught the sound of a second gunman's shot — a conclusion challenged by Federal Bureau of Investigation experts a year ago.

The house committee also said Kennedy was in fact killed by the third of three shots fired by Lee Harvey Oswald. The committee

tee's 1979 report was the first official challenge to the official view that Oswald acted alone.

NBC said the select committee has been informed that the academy's panel will refuse the committee's conclusion that the sounds heard on the police tape are gunshots.

The academy panel originally has charged with reviewing the methods used by the house committee experts and deciding whether they were sound. The report at first was due last April, then in August, and now, according to spokesman Howard Liss, is due at the end of January.

Soviet submarine spied, Sweden says

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 19 (R) — A Soviet submarine that ran aground in Swedish waters last October was most probably spying, the Swedish defense staff said.

The conclusion was contained in published extracts of an officially classified report submitted to the government by Sweden's armed forces' commander. The extracts did not say exactly what intelligence mission the submarine was on when it ran aground in a restricted zone near a major Baltic naval base

Actors deny top award to Reagan

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 19 (AP) — U.S. President Ronald Reagan, a former sixteen-term president and life member of the Screen Actors Guild, has been denied the union's top award this year even though he received the highest number of votes for the honor, SAG officials said.

Confirming published reports that Reagan was denied the guild's top honor because of what the union perceived as his anti-labor attitude, SAG officials said it would have insulted American labor to give Reagan the award. SAG officials cited particularly Reagan's firing of the air traffic controllers who struck illegally last summer.

"It would have been such a blatant slap in the face to the rest of the labor movement that it was deemed at this time inappropriate," SAG spokeswoman Kim Fellner said Friday.

Fellner said the vote by the 99-member SAG national directorate was "overwhelmingly" in favor of rejecting an awards committee recommendation that the honor go to Reagan.

Instead, the directors decided to give no award at all — a move that was interpreted as a means of avoiding embarrassment to Reagan.

SAG President Ed Asner, who has criticized Reagan's labor stance in the past, said Friday the directors voted against giving the award to Reagan by a 4-1 margin. Asner maintained there had not been enough time to select another award-winner prior to last Sunday's awards ceremony at the Sheraton Universal Hotel.

Talks on southern Africa U.S. hails Angola offer

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP) — The United States is encouraged by the willingness of the government of Angola to enter talks on the problems of southern Africa, presumably including the Cuban troops in Angola, the State Department said.

"We consider this an important and very positive statement to which we have responded in a similarly positive manner through diplomatic channels," said spokesman Dean Fischer on Friday.

The offer to talk to the United States on "matters of mutual interest" was made on Dec. 10 by Angolan President Jose Eduardo Dos Santos. Cuba has maintained more than 15,000 troops in Angola for the last five years.

The United States has often said that those troops were a stumbling block to winning independence for neighboring Namibia, in three years.

Daily News put up for sale

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP) — The New York *Daily News*, the United States' second largest daily newspaper, is up for sale, the parent Tribune Co. announced.

"We have been approached on a number of occasions in the recent past by people expressing an interest in acquiring the *Daily News*," said Stanton R. Cook, president of the Tribune Co., which is based in Chicago and also publishes the *Chicago Tribune*. "The answer has always been no."

"Today we are saying that we would now be receptive to serious offers. To maintain the position of the *Daily News* in the New York market in our judgment will require among other things additional capital investment," he said.

"Our assessment of Tribune Co.'s resources and opportunities led us to the conclusion we are announcing today," he said.

Era of isolation ends, Obote says

KAMPALA, Uganda, Dec. 19 (AP) — President Milton Obote marked his first year in office by claiming Uganda has ended its "era of shame and isolation."

Obote told parliament Friday that last December's elections which returned him to power after 10 years were fair — and the idea of new elections contained "the seeds of chaos."

Since last February, bands of guerrillas claiming Obote rigged the election have been attacking government and military installations. They have demanded new balloting. The country's undisciplined army has launched a series of counterattacks, mainly in rural areas, where local residents claim thousands of innocent civilians have been killed.

Obote said former Presidents Yusuf Lule and Godfrey Binaisa and former cabinet minister Gerard Museveni are in joint conspiracy with (former President Idi) Amin's lieutenants against peace and stability in our country."

Obote reaffirmed his commitment to parliamentary democracy and attacked the

which has been governed by South Africa under a League of Nations mandate canceled by the United Nations in 1963.

Fischer also said President Ronald Reagan is reserving his right to move next year for "clean repeal" of the so-called Clark amendment, which prohibits sending U.S. aid to any faction in Angola.

Fischer said that although Reagan has no plans to provide such assistance he wants the measure repealed because it represents an unacceptable restriction on the president's powers to conduct foreign affairs.

The Senate voted to repeal the provision this year, but the House of Representatives refused and the House-Senate Conference Committee on the foreign aid bill left the Clark amendment on the books rather than jeopardize the first foreign aid appropriation in three years.

The Tribune Co. said the investment banking firm of Salomon Brothers, Inc., has been retained to represent it in any sale.

The *News* lists a circulation of 1.5 million daily and more than 2 million on Sunday. These totals have been rising in recent months, according to the newspaper's advertisements. Only the *Wall Street Journal* has a greater U.S. circulation.

Last August, the Tribune Co. folded the unsuccessful night edition of the *Daily News*, a venture into afternoon publishing with a reported circulation of under 100,000.

At the time, it was announced that the *Daily News* operated at a loss in its second quarter of 1981. The closing of the night edition left the city with only one general circulation afternoon newspaper, Rupert Murdoch's *New York Post*, which currently claims a circulation of 850,000 daily and rising.

S. Korea firing alleged

TOKYO, Dec. 19 (AP) — South Korean forces fired more than 500 bullets with large-caliber machine guns for 15 minutes beginning at 6 p.m. (0900 GMT) Friday, the North Korean Central News Agency said.

"Such armed provocations" by South Koreans "are committed almost every day these days," KCNA said but the news agency did not say whether the North Koreans fired back.

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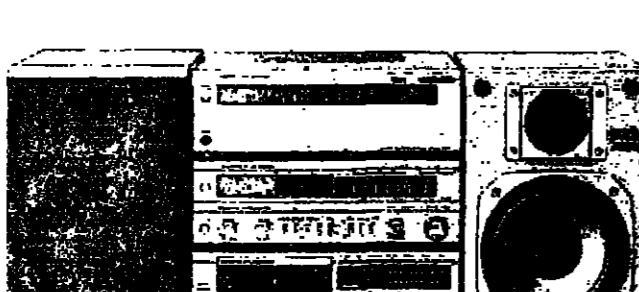


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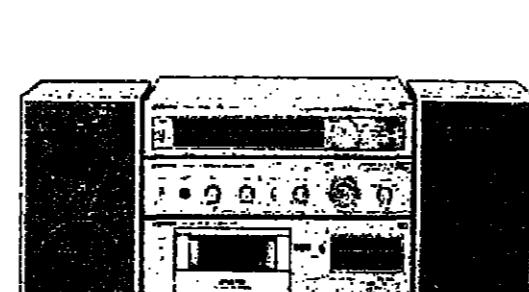
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At Kremlin ceremony

Brezhnev ignores Polish crisis

MOSCOW, Dec. 19 (R) — President Leonid Brezhnev said Saturday the Kremlin leadership was united on all policy issues but did not refer to the Polish crisis. The Soviet leader, speaking at a Kremlin ceremony to mark his 75th birthday Saturday, praised his assembled Politburo colleagues for their "unity, cohesion and good teamwork."

"There is a true mutual understanding within the leadership, a common opinion of the ends of our policy, home and foreign, and of the means leading to these ends," he said. Veteran party ideologist Mikhail Suslov, No. 2 in the Politburo hierarchy, presented Brezhnev with the Order of Lenin and the Gold Star of a Hero of the Soviet Union.

Mail bomb to Reagan halted

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (R) — Secret Service agents investigated a crude letter bomb addressed to President Reagan which was intercepted and defused in the White House mail room Thursday.

A spokesman for the Secret Service, which is responsible for protecting the president's life, said the device was so badly made "it's doubtful whether it would have worked at all." The bomb was discovered during a routine X-ray inspection in the mail room, which is in the executive office building adjoining the White House.

It was in a Manila envelope postmarked San Juan, Puerto Rico, which contained no message. The spokesman declined to speculate whether Puerto Rican guerrillas, who have carried out several bomb attacks in the United States as part of a campaign for full independence for the territory, were responsible.

In another development, three foreign nationals held in Florida as suspected assassins were released from jail after the U.S. Secret Service said the men did not appear

Brezhnev is now the most decorated leader in Soviet history.

Leaders of six Soviet bloc states presented similar awards to Brezhnev Friday and also attended Saturday's ceremony. Poland's military strongman, Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, was not present but sent congratulations to the Soviet leader from the ruling military council in Warsaw.

In his message published in the Communist Party newspaper *Pravda*, Gen. Jaruzelski thanked Brezhnev for his understanding of the "dramatic and difficult" situation in Poland, and for Soviet economic aid.

"Polish society has been able to convince itself once again that at difficult moments it

can always count on its Soviet friends," Gen. Jaruzelski said. His message was also signed by head of state Henryk Jablonski and in the name of the central committee of the Polish Communist Party and the country's top state organs.

It pledged that the military council, which took power on Sunday, would be faithful to the ideas of socialism and the independence and sovereignty of the Polish state.

"We are fully committed to its democratic development in the spirit of Socialist renewal, to the application of the universal principles of Marxism-Leninism in national Polish conditions," Gen. Jaruzelski said. His words appeared designed to reassure the Soviet leaders that Poland was still wedded to the Communist system despite the eclipse of the ruling party by soldiers.

He appeared to be appealing for the Kremlin to continue to make allowances for Poland's particular circumstances, saying mutual understanding and mutual respect as well as unity of ideas between the Polish and Soviet Communist parties were of great importance.

Diplomats here believe the Soviet Union, which has given only reticent public backing to Gen. Jaruzelski's military clampdown, is giving him strong support behind the scenes. But Moscow is also believed to be nervous in the long term about the eclipse of the Polish Communist Party by the military.

Brezhnev avoided all mention of Poland at his birthday ceremonies, attended by the leaders of Hungary, East Germany, Bulgaria, Romania, Mongolia and Czechoslovakia. But his reference to unity in the Politburo appeared to be aimed at reassuring the Soviet public that there would be no splits and arguments at a time of crisis on the Soviet Union's western frontier.

Brezhnev, hailed at home as a paragon of Soviet manhood, was also the subject of fulsome praise by East bloc leaders assembled in Moscow. Bulgaria's Todor Zhivkov, in the warmest tribute, said the Soviet leader was "a man and Communist with a big, kind and generous heart, a major and bright personality whose ideological, ethical and emotional radiance is elevating, enriching and educating."

A glowing message from top state and government bodies hailed Brezhnev as the "advocate of peace and friendship." It said: "No other statesman and political leader today ... has done as much as you for strengthening peace."

A message from the armed forces, issued by Tass, spoke of Brezhnev's contribution to "the enhancement of the country's defense capability."

Satellite booster destroyed in U.S.

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE, California, Dec. 19 (AP) — U.S. Air Force officials destroyed a navigational satellite booster seconds after it was launched Friday, saying that something went wrong and the destruction was necessary to prevent damage or injuries.

No information was available immediately on the amount of damage or on whether there were any injuries.

The blast at the Santa Barbara county base was heard 32 kms away, according to reports.

Witnesses said the Atlas booster had gone about 100 yards from the launch pad when it flipped and crashed.

The satellite involved was a Navstar global positioning system satellite, which provides navigational information to ships and aircraft. Six of the satellites are currently in orbit and a total of 18 are planned, a spokesman said.

Canada seeks arsonist's extradition

DENVER, Colorado, Dec. 19 (AP) — A warrant has been issued in Ontario, Canada, for the arrest of Eugene Tafoya in connection with an explosion and fire in the car of a businessman who sold electronic surveillance equipment to the Libyan government, police said.

Tafoya, convicted Dec. 4 of third-degree assault and conspiracy in the shooting of a Libyan dissident in Fort Collins, has been charged by the warrant with arson, said Staff Sgt. Joe MacDonald of police department.

MacDonald said Friday he also would seek a second warrant for Tafoya on a charge of mischief, in connection with a fire that destroyed a sports car belonging to the businessman, Robert Manina. The Ontario Attorney General's Department would review a request from police for Tafoya's

Italian terrorist gives himself up

BARI, Italy, Dec. 19 (AFP) — Antonio Pernisco, 24, a presumed leader of the extreme-left Prima Linea terrorist group sought in connection with murders, gave himself up here after rejecting "armed struggle" as an ideology, police said Saturday.

He was accompanied, in this Adriatic city Friday night, by two lawyers who quoted him as saying he had "dissociated" himself from "armed struggle" after becoming convinced it was beaten, both as a method and an ideology.

The lawyers added that he had not "repented," which would have implied he was ready to reveal former compatriots.

Terrorist groups like Prima Linea and the

Red Brigades strongly reject any distinction between those who "dissociate" or "repent," regarding both categories as "traitors" and sentencing them to death.

Pernisco, a presumed Prima Linea area leader, had been sought since the arrest last December of Michele Viscardi, allegedly a "repented" terrorist whose revelations brought the capture of several area Prima Linea members.

Pernisco was wanted for questioning in connection with the murder of a carabinieri in June 1980 and a policeman last November, and was also suspected of participation in a series of holdups.

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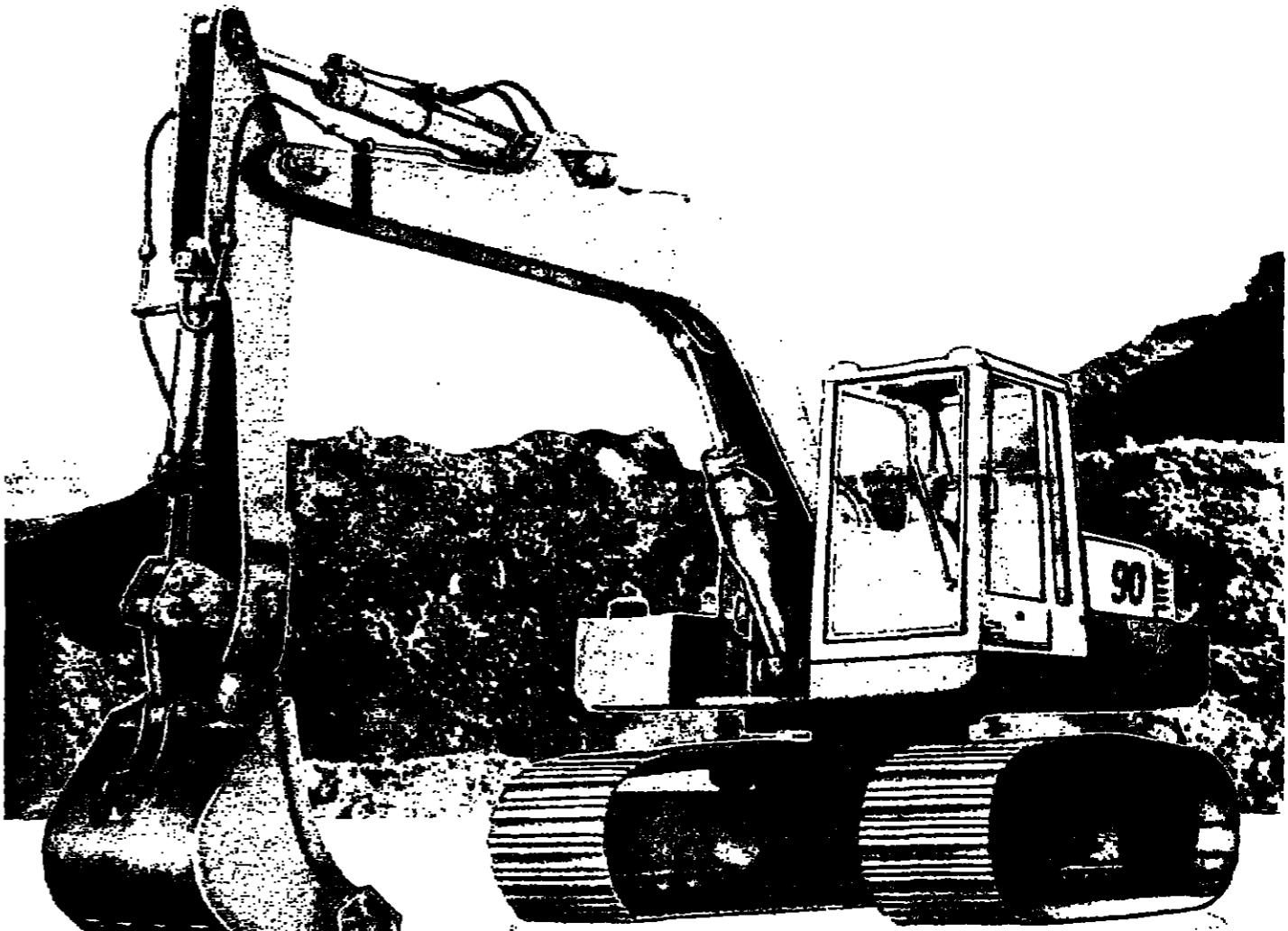
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U.S. firms strike oil in north Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Dec. 19 (AP) — Brazil's state oil company Petrobras confirmed Friday that an offshore oil strike by a consortium of the American oil companies Pecten, Chevron and Union Oil is commercial.

The head of Petrobras' risk contract division, Lauro Vieira, said preliminary studies indicated the strike would produce between 8,000 and 28,000 barrels of "light, good-quality" oil per day. Vieira said it was the first commercial oil discovery by a non-Brazilian company since Brazil opened up more than one million square miles (2.5 million square kilometers) of territory to risk contract exploration in 1975.

The consortium struck oil in an exploratory well 9.6 kms off the coast of northeastern

Bahia state. Vieira said Petrobras would have a more accurate idea of the strike's potential when the consortium drills a series of wells to assess the capacity of the field.

The American companies will have rights to about 25 percent of eventual production, under the terms of its risk contract with Petrobras. Since 1975, Petrobras has signed 102 contracts with 29 foreign companies and one Brazilian consortium. The Pecten Oil Company has been one of the most active in exploration here, with investments of some \$100 million.

Brazil's domestic oil production has been rising steadily in recent years and now averages nearly 250,000 barrels a day. But the nation still imports roughly three-fourths of its oil.

For the current quarter

5.4% dip for U.S. economy forecast

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (R) — A preliminary government forecast says the U.S. economy will decline by 5.4 percent in the current quarter. Administration sources have said in their latest assessment of the deepening recession.

The forecast, prepared by the Commerce Department, is more pessimistic than earlier estimates by President Reagan's economic advisers but not as gloomy as those of some private economists who believe the economy

Nationalist China has \$1b trade surplus

TAIPEI, Dec. 19 — The Republic of China's two-way trade in the first 11 months of this year exceeded \$40 billion with a surplus amounting to \$1 billion, according to customs statistics. The statistics indicated that this nation's imports in the January-November period totaled \$19.5 billion, against exports of \$20 billion. In the same period of last year, the ROC's imports amounted to \$18 billion against exports of \$17.9 billion. A comparison of the trade volume showed that this nation's imports grew by 7.8 percent and exports also increased by 14.7 percent.

The economic and financial authorities estimate that the two-way trade for the whole year may reach \$44 billion, and the original target of \$48.5 billion, will be hard to achieve unless the single-month exports and imports in December can reach \$8 billion.

may contract by six percent or more. Administration sources said Friday the preliminary Commerce Department figures point to a 5.4 percent contraction in the Gross national product, which measures the output of goods and services, between October and the end of the year.

But the sources said the figure was tentative and subject to major revisions. The president's leading economic adviser, Murray Weidenbaum, has predicted a decline of no more than five percent in the current quarter and Treasury Secretary Donald Regan has projected a drop of between three and 3.5 percent.

Earlier, the Commerce Department announced that the economy grew more in the third quarter than previously thought. In a final revision, the department reported that the economy, after adjusting for inflation, grew at an annual rate of 1.4 percent between July and September instead of 0.6 percent as reported earlier.

The department said most of the revision was caused by larger than expected inventories on business shelves after sales suddenly slumped last summer. Many private forecasters believe that this buildup of inventories will make the economy decline more in this quarter than the Reagan administration expects.

The economists say businesses will be forced to sell off their stockpiled goods before they can order new ones from their factories and other suppliers.

Volkswagen closes down Nigeria unit temporarily

LAGOS, Dec. 19 (AFP) — Volkswagen of Nigeria has temporarily closed down, sending its 3,400 workforce on compulsory leave, the *Independent National Concord* has reported.

A company statement said that closure was "due to the current serious situation in the automobile market for the domestic assembly plants, resulting in a large stock of unsold cars."

The statement quoted Managing Director Jorgen Maeker as saying that management had opted for compulsory leave instead of a reduction of the workforce. The company had earlier reduced production from 250 vehicles per day to 90.

The Leyland and Peugeot companies also have major car assembly plants in Nigeria. Recently, Leyland had to stop production of Land Rovers because of imports of similar Japanese vehicles at very low prices.

Arab Boycott gives Renault grace period

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP) — The Renault auto group of France has said it was informed it had been given a three-month grace period before being placed on the Arab Boycott list. The company was given the probation period to enable it to conform to the rules of the Boycott, a Renault spokesman said.

The Boycott Office was set up by the Arab League in 1952 to prevent companies from trading with Israel by barring them from selling their products to the Arab world.

The Renault official said the decision to blacklist Renault stems from the French group's ties with American Motors Corp. of the United States. AMC has been boycotted for many years because it supplies jeep components to Israel.

The spokesman said he had no idea how Renault should avoid being boycotted. "As far as I can see, the only way would be to give up our 46 percent stake in AMC, and we're not about to do that," he said.

French Assembly adopts bill on nationalization

PARIS, Dec. 19 (R) — The French National Assembly has voted into law the Socialist government's bill nationalizing banks and some large companies, but opposition members were expected to ask the watchdog constitutional council to declare the measure illegal.

The assembly, with its absolute Socialist majority, Friday passed the measure by 331 votes to 153 on the third and final reading after two months of bitter debate. But within minutes, groups of opposition deputies and senators said they planned to go to the imposing offices of the constitutional council just across the River Seine and file two separate demands for the law to be struck down.

Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy's government is legislating to take control of 36 private banks, five major industrial groups and two giant financial holding companies. Members of the Neo-Gaullist RPR Party and followers of former Conservative President Valery Giscard d'Estaing fought the bill as a

Validity to be challenged

Reagan sending business team to African states

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 — A contingency of American businessmen, led by top Reagan administration officials, will tour Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Nigeria, and Morocco next month to consult with African leaders on trade and investment.

U.S. Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige and Agricultural Secretary John R. Block will accompany executives from 25 American firms dealing in agricultural commodities, agricultural business, construction, mining and excavation, and telecommunications.

According to a Commerce Department spokesman, the trip is part of the Reagan administration's pledge to provide cooperation with developing nations to assist them in their development goals. The Reagan administration was highly criticized by Third World nations last October when, at the Cancun economic summit, the U.S. president declared that developing countries should receive less concessional aid from the West. The United States has proposed instead to offer poorer nations help in forging alliances with private enterprise to build up their economies.

U.S. budget deficit may hit \$109b

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AFP) — President Ronald Reagan Friday began to put the finishing touches on his budget outlines for 1982/83 amid increased fears that his much vaunted balanced budget is further than ever away from realization.

Official estimates put the current year's budget deficit at \$109 billion — twice what was expected and the biggest deficit in U.S. history. Reagan, who champions government disengagement from the economy and who forecast a balanced budget by 1984, has had to admit that the target date would have to be postponed.

But he startled some aides this week when he announced at a press conference that he would not consider increasing taxes in order to lessen the government deficit. A White House spokesman hastily explained, Reagan was not against increasing state revenue, but was merely indicating that he had no intention of abandoning his policy of progressively cutting income taxes.

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Polish economy revival delayed

LONDON, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — Growing opposition among Polish coalminers and other workers to the military clampdown is likely to mean further delays in reviving Poland's stricken economy, already in danger of collapse, Western economists said today.

The mines of southern Poland, scene this week of clashes between security forces and strikers, are crucial to any plans for earning the desperately-needed foreign exchange which could save the economy from disaster. The country badly needs cash to tackle its three main problems — declining industrial production, which has already fallen more than 15 percent this year, a dire food shortage and a crippling \$27-billion debt burden to the West.

In declaring martial law and moving against the Solidarity free trade union, the Warsaw authorities were gambling on swiftly ending all opposition and getting the workforce back to full production, the economists said. But reports of growing opposition among workers and students suggest that the country could face an extended period of even greater economic confusion, they said.

Only with a huge injection of foreign exchange could Poland import the raw materials and energy needed to rescue industry, buy the food to stave off hunger during a harsh winter and pay off enough of its debts to save itself from a default. Restoring full mining production is, however, likely to be a tough task. Even if the miners were willing to end strikes and knuckle down to the task — and this week's clashes indicate they are not — they still need much more food than they are getting to provide them with the necessary energy.

The country's inability to buy enough food illustrates the vicious circle the economy is in, Western analysts say. They suggest Poland's

economic difficulties are so acute that the military may yet have to seek some sort of compromise with Solidarity or other workers' representatives to force an understanding if the economy is to be made to work.

Prof. Anthony Polanski of the London School of Economics said Friday that the military needed the cooperation of workers, and the reports of serious clashes with security forces were not a good augury for a solution. "You can't have a soldier standing next to every miner forcing him to work," he said in a radio interview.

Production of coal, Poland's main export earner, has fallen from 201 million tons in 1979 to an estimated 162 million tons this year. The country now produces barely enough for its own needs and exports have dropped from 41 million tons in 1979 to about eight million this year.

Economists say this has not only cut off Poland's main source of Western currency, it has also caused problems with its Eastern Bloc trading partners who are having to look elsewhere for energy, as Poland fails in its long-term export contracts. The roots of Poland's chronic economic crisis, which is unprecedented in a modern industrial country, can be traced back to decisions taken a decade ago when Polish leaders launched an ambitious industrialization drive, according to the economists.

Western banks were only too happy to provide massive loans for wholesale imports of Western technology, feeling the Soviet Union would guarantee the borrowing if anything went wrong. The development program promised much at first, with growth averaging 9.8 percent in the early 1970s against six percent in the late sixties. But it was heavily dependent on oil, which quadrupled in price after the 1973-74 oil crisis.

Top investor raps Chinese red tape

PEKING, Dec. 19 (R) — The head of an influential investment corporation echoing a recent call by Premier Zhao Ziyang to trim China's notorious bureaucracy, has warned the government that the economy will not revive unless the country becomes more efficient.

"The People's Daily" Saturday quoted Rong Yiren, a former mill owner, as saying at a National Advisory Conference: "In our work today, buck-passing is rampant. This kind of work-style...is like the feudal Mandarin system. If we don't change it, then how can we get the economy moving?"

Rong is president of the China International Trust and Investment Corporation which was set up two years ago to attract foreign investment. The paper also reported that several delegates at a recent session of the Chinese People's Consultative Conference had denounced red-tape and stressed the need to streamline the government. "There are too many persons in the boat and not enough rowing," one was quoted as saying.

Another delegate at the consultative conference said there were almost 1,000 ministers and vice-ministers in the Chinese State Council (cabinet) and in organs under its jurisdiction, and 5,000 senior of department. Some ministries had more than 20 vice-ministers, he added. This meant matters were passed from one vice-minister to another and no one knew who was responsible. "Now there are so many mothers-in-law and minor Buddhas you have to spend all your time bowing to them to get anything done," he was quoted as saying.

Another delegate was quoted as saying that the Communists had not yet established a proper system of selection, training, appointment and compulsory retirement for officials which meant that old cadres did not give way to younger men. Two academic delegates were quoted as saying Chinese universities and colleges were overstaffed and got involved in too many unnecessary activities.

Reagan agrees auto industry is in crisis

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AFP) — President Ronald Reagan acknowledges that the American auto industry is in a "disastrous situation." Chrysler President Lee Iacocca said here.

He was speaking after talks which Reagan had Friday with the leaders of the five leading U.S. auto manufacturers, who wanted to outline the industry's problems. The five leaders for their part acknowledged that the health of the industry depends on the success of the president's overall economic program, and did not ask for special help, General Motors President William Smith said. He added: "We were very encouraged by the president's concern and his understanding."

The talks touched on Japan's voluntary agreement to limit auto exports, which should be renewed, Ford President Philip Caldwell said. He added: "We asked the president to consider the total competitive situation". Smith said that the main request by the manufacturers was for government support for a bill to reduce regulations on pollution by cars. The other two firms represented at the meeting were American Motors and Volkswagen.

U.S. expects pressure for trade curbs on Russians

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (R) — The United States would face strong pressure to impose severe trade sanctions against the Soviet Union if Moscow directly intervened in Poland, administration officials said Friday.

A White House official told Reuters prospect for a trade embargo against the Soviet Union involving grain and other products had definitely increased since the declaration of martial law in Poland last weekend. "If Soviet troops march into Poland, considerable pressure would be brought to bear on the administration for trade sanctions," the official said.

President Reagan, expressing grave concern about the Polish crisis, has already used food as a weapon by suspending \$100 million in U.S. aid for the Warsaw government to buy vitally needed agricultural products. But at a news conference Thursday, Reagan declined to specify what measures would be taken by the United States and its allies in the event that the Polish crisis worsened.

The official said that if Moscow intervened in Poland, the United States would have to take some form of appropriate action especially since U.S. grain sales were embargoed in January 1980 after the Soviet military moved into Afghanistan. Reagan lifted the grain embargo nearly eight months ago, saying it singled out agriculture and unfairly hurt American farmers.

Grain trade between the United States and Soviet Union since then has flourished, as Moscow has been forced to import huge amounts of wheat and corn after harvesting a poor crop for the third successive year. At the Chicago Board of Trade, the decline in grain prices has accelerated during the past week as a result of the growing view among traders that the troubles in Poland may trigger a new trade embargo against the Soviet Union.

U.S. pays up Japan damages

TOKYO, Dec. 19 (AP) — The United States completed payments for damages resulting from the sinking of a Japanese freighter last April after collision with the submarine USS *George Washington*, Kyodo news service reported.

The payment of 31.5 million yen (\$183,182) to Kobe Navigation Service was the last part of an out-of-court settlement following the sinking of the 2,350-ton freighter *Nissho Maru* in the east China Seas.

The U.S. Navy already paid 86 million yen (\$374,000) each to the families of Capt. Taizo Noguchi and Chief Mate Sumio Matsunaga. Both died in the mishap.

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Emirates Dirham (100)	98.00	93.15
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Iraqi Dinar	—	—
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Japanese Yen (1,000)	—	15.60
Kuwaiti Dinar	10.14	10.14
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Lebanese Lira (100)	23.60	73.45
Moroccan Dinar (100)	60.50	64.60
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.68
Philippine Peso (100)	—	42.50
Poland Sterling	6.56	6.43
Qatari Rial (100)	94.00	94.05
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	166.05
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Swiss Franc (100)	187.75	186.50
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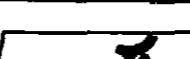
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Financial Roundup

Dollar maintains strength

By J.H. Hammond

franc and the German mark, but slipping back few points against the British pound and Swiss franc.

The British currency was extremely volatile Friday in London — falling to 1,861 levels at one stage, before some heavy Bank of England support pushed it back to 1,8840 in New York. The German mark closed the weekend at 2,2850 while the Swiss franc's quoted rate was 1,8275. The Japanese yen was relatively stable at 219.75 while the French franc fell back to 5,7800 levels despite continuing French Central Bank support.

In the local markets, Saturday saw a quiet day with few movements reported. Rates remained at Thursday's closing levels with the one-month LIBOR bid — offer rate at 9-9 1/2 percent and the one-year at 12 1/8 — 12 5/8 percent. The short dated funds continued to be well bid, with overnight funds now fetching 7 1/2 — 8 1/2 percent and the week fixed quoted at 8 — 9 percent.

The Bahraini based OBU's — offshore booking units were not active Saturday and Brokers operating out of Bahrain said that most quotes were made for "information purposes" only. Dealer's opinion was mixed on where riyal deposit rates might go this coming week but the mood was one whereby most seemed to agree that present levels might stay with us for a while. On the local exchanges, spot rival dollar rates opened at 3,4180-90 but later picked up to 3,4195-05 as some commercial orders for the dollar came into the market.

Study shows American companies paid little tax on U.S. incomes

By Thomas B. Edsall

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (WP) — A new study says that a number of large corporations paid little or no U.S. tax on their U.S. income in 1980.

The study, based on reports by the companies themselves to the securities and exchange commission, said such well-known firms as Chase Manhattan Bank, Squibb Corp. and Monsanto Co. paid no taxes on U.S. income despite domestic earnings of \$207 million, \$78 million and \$204 million respectively. It said the Nation's largest company, Exxon, paid a U.S. rate of 1.3 percent on domestic earnings of \$2.5 billion, and the second largest firm, AT&T, paid an 8 percent rate on domestic earnings of \$7.7 billion.

The findings, made public Monday by tax analysts, are disputed by spokesmen for some of the companies named. U.J. Legrange, vice president and comptroller of Exxon, contended that by the company's calculations, it paid federal taxes at about a 40 percent rate. Legrange said Exxon paid \$1.76 billion, including \$459 million that was deferred, on before-tax U.S. earnings of \$3.69 billion.

The study, which was conducted for tax analysts by Richard Kaplan, professor of law at the University of Illinois, contended that the oil company had U.S. earnings of \$2.5 billion on which it paid a tax of about \$33 million.

There has long been a complex dispute about how to calculate the taxes corporations pay. While not passing judgment on Kaplan's specific findings, Seymour Fieckovsky, assistant director of the treasury's office of Tax Analysis, said the new study appeared to be "much fairer" than prior ones, particularly those by former Rep. Charles Vanik, D-Ohio, that compared companies' U.S. taxes to their worldwide rather than just their U.S. income.

Fieckovsky cautioned, however, that calculating effective tax rates is an extremely difficult process and that the study released Monday would be criticized in some quarters on at least two grounds. One is that it does not count deferred taxes — taxes a company does not have to pay until some later date if ever — as taxes levied. The other is that it subtracts from a company's current taxes refunds attributable to past years.

The companies studied were able to reduce their taxes by a number of altogether legal means. One main method was the investment tax credit, which lets a company subtract from its taxes owed part of the cost of most new equipment. Another was the foreign tax credit, which lets companies subtract from their U.S. taxes income paid abroad. The companies did not yet have the benefit of the large corporate tax cuts Congress voted last summer at the administration's behest.

The tax analysts study found major disparities in effective tax rates among competing companies and in different industries. Six different industry groups were examined with the following results:

BRIEFS

BRUSSELS, (AFP) — New Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens asked parliament for immediate special powers to deal with the national economy, finances and unemployment. Noting that the well-being of Belgium, which was one of the most prosperous countries in the world where wealth was well distributed, was threatened, he declared: "It is the duty of the government to introduce a new tough policy imposing sacrifices on everyone."

TOKYO, (AFP) — The U.S. Navy Friday paid 31.5 million yen (\$143,182) in compensation to Kobe Navigation Service, the company responsible for hiring the crew of Japanese Freighter which sank in the East China Sea after being accidentally rammed by the U.S. nuclear-powered submarine *George Washington* April 9.

KOUROU, French Guyana, (AFP) — The fourth and last test flight of the European-built Ariane Rocket is due to begin here Sunday, 24 hour late, at 0129 GMT. Following the success of the first launch Dec. 24, 1979 and of the third June 19, 1981 — and despite the mid-air explosion to the second rocket —

BUDAPEST, (AFP) — The Hungarian photographic paper company Forte and the U.S. group 3M have renewed a co-operation agreement for five years. Forte makes black and white photographic paper and film for 3M. The link also covers X-ray papers and photochemicals.

Celtics rally to oust Bullets

Nets snap Bucks' winning streak

NEW YORK. Dec. 19 (AP) — It usually means that more than one thing went wrong when a team that has been winning most of its games, loses at home to a team that has been winning 30 percent of its games.

That proved to be the case Friday night when the New Jersey Nets beat Milwaukee 100-88, snapping a nine-game National Basketball Association winning streak for the 17-7 Bucks.

"About the time you get to thinking you're good and you're not prepared, this is exactly what can happen to you," said Bucks' coach Don Nelson. "Milwaukee didn't shoot that straight, and that gave us a chance to run," said New Jersey coach Larry Brown.

"It was our defense," said Nets forward Mike O'Koren who scored 14 points. "Any time you hold a team like Milwaukee to 88 points, you have a good chance of winning. We must played hard defense and we affer them."

In other NBA games, Boston edged Washington 99-98; Houston buried Dallas 112-93; Phoenix trimmed San Antonio 108-104; New York Knicks walloped Chicago 121-106; Kansas City upended 100-95 and Indiana clobbered Cleveland 109-72.

The Bucks rebounding edge and the resulting running game enabled guard Williams, Otis Birdsong and Darwin Cook to score

22, 14 and 12 points respectively to lead the Nets.

Bridgeman came off the bench to sink four of his first five shots in the second quarter, while Marques Johnson tossed in three baskets in a 63-second span late in the period to help the Bucks open a 47-42 half-time lead.

Though the Bucks led 47-42 at half-time the Nets outscored Milwaukee 26-17 in the third quarter to overtake the Bucks. In the final minutes of the third period, the Nets started a 20-4 surge that left them ahead 80-66 midway through the final quarter.

Celtics 99, Bullets 98: Robert Parish scored 14 points in the fourth period as Boston spoiled a Washington comeback. Parish scored 24 of his 32 points in the second-half. Larry Bird scored 21 for the Celtics, while Jerry Ruland scored 20 points for the Bullets.

Suns 108, Spurs 104: Truck Robinson scored 38 points, including 14 in the fourth quarter as Phoenix rallied from a seven-point deficit midway through the period to beat San Antonio. Dennis Johnson, who scored 19 for the Suns, with two free throws with 4:01 to go to put Phoenix ahead to stay, 102-99, and Robinson followed with two shots for a 105-102 edge with 2:29 left. George Gervin scored 23 points for the Spurs.

Knicks 121, Bulls 106: Campy Russell scored 14 of his game-high 22 points in the first quarter, when New York took control of the game and went on to beat Chicago. Bill

Cartwright also scored 22 for the Knicks, including 10 in the fourth quarter when the Bulls twice closed to within seven points of New York after trailing by as many as 21 in the first half. David Greenwood and Art Gilmore both scored 18 to lead the Bulls.

Kings 100, Jazz 95: Cliff Robinson scored 29 points, eight of them in the final quarter when Kansas City erased a seven-point Utah lead. The Kings, who led by as many as 14 earlier, took the lead for good at 91-90 with 4:16 left on a Phil Ford jump shot. Adrian Dantley scored 29 points to lead the Jazz, but only two in the final period.

Rockets 112, Mavericks 93: Moses Malone had 11 of his 23 points, three rebounds, three steals, three assists and one blocked shot in the third quarter to lead a Houston surge over Dallas. The Rockets, who have won three in a row, extended a seven-point half-time lead into a 22-point advantage early in the final period. Dallas rookie Jay Vincent led all scorers with 29 points. Robert Reid, returning to the lineup after a self-imposed absence of 11 days and five games, scored 10.

Pacers 109, Cavaliers 73: Indiana tied a club record for fewest points allowed as it handed Cleveland its 19th loss in 24 games this season. Mike Bantom and Butch Carter scored 15 points each to lead the Pacers balanced attack. The Cavaliers went more than 6 1/2 minutes without a field goal to start the second half well behind by 33 points at 71-38.

Lewis, Wilkison to clash in final

SYDNEY, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — New Zealand's Chris Lewis and American Tim Wilkison will meet Sunday in the \$125,000 New South Wales Open Championship final at White City Stadium.

Wilkison, 22, ranked 122nd in the world, beat fellow-American Steve Denton 7-5, 6-3 in a semi-final Saturday, while Lewis, 24, ranked 45th, blasted Australian Mark Edmondson, seeded sixth, 6-3, 6-3 in the other semi-final. Wilkison, a left-hander, won this title in 1978.

White City has become somewhat of a left-handers paradise. In four of the last eight finals a left-hander has won the title. Australian Tony Roche won in 1974 and 1977. Then American Roscoe Tauner was champion in 1977. Tim Wilkison took the title in the following year.

Lewis had too much class, pace and fitness as he hit winners to all parts of the court against Edmondson. This will be the New Zealand Davis Cup player's fifth appearance in a Grand Prix title final this year. He won a tournament in Munich and was runner-up in Stuttgart, Brisbane and Cincinnati.

This will be Wilkison's first Grand Prix final of the year. Lewis is one of the fittest and fastest competitors. If the weather conditions are the same Sunday with searing heat and high humidity, their fitness will play a major part in the result. There was an 85-minute rain delay after the eighth game of the first set between Lewis and Edmondson. The New Zealander gained a vital service break in the eighth game when light rain fell, when he broke Edmondson's serve 2-0 with three outright winners.

Eighty minutes later Lewis served for the set and pounced again in the opening game of the second set to break Edmondson. Edmondson tried hard to crack the serve of Lewis but despite three deuces in the sixth could not bridge the gap. Lewis had two match points at 40-15 on Edmondson's serve in the ninth game and Edmondson netted a volley to give the New Zealander the match.

Denton's strong serve let him down. The 74th world ranked player served nine double faults and twice double-faulted on set point in the first set. Wilkison returned a lot of Denton's serves, making the Texan work hard in the warm, humid conditions and despite a courageous rear-guard action by Denton to save five match points, Wilkison wrapped up the match.

Poland to participate in World Cup hockey

NEW DELHI, Dec. 19 (AFP) — The Polish national hockey team, here to attend the World Cup Hockey Tournament due to start in Bombay on December 29, has received no instructions from Warsaw to return home, team manager Andrzej Zolakowski said Saturday.

"We are all set to take part in the World Cup Hockey Tournament," he told the Cup organizing secretary, Zolakowski was reacting to reports from Brussels that Poland had been replaced in the tournament by Belgium.

Jahangir triumphs

KARACHI, Dec. 19 (AFP) — World squash champion Jahangir Khan of Pakistan beat his compatriot Maqsood Ahmed in the final of the PIA Masters Squash Championship here Friday.

Jahangir won in straight sets 9-2, 9-3, 9-1. It was his second championship win since he took the world championship in Toronto last month by defeating Australia's Geoff Hunt. He won the Pakistan Open on December 11 beating his compatriot Qamar Zaman.

Saturday's victory was the easiest of the three. Jahangir never allowed his opponent to settle down and outplayed him in all departments of the game.

Shriver too good for Jaeger Austin overcomes Jausovec

EAST RUTHERFORD, New Jersey, Dec. 19 (AP) — Third-seeded Tracy Austin overcame fist-set jitters to halt the upset bid of Mima Jausovec and Pam Shriver crushed Andrea Jaeger Friday night to move into the semi-finals of the \$250,000 Toyota Tennis Championships.

Austin defeated Jausovec 1-6, 6-4, 6-4, while Shriver used powerful serves to oust Jaeger 6-3, 6-2 in the third round. Already in the semi-finals are the tournament's top two seeds, Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert Lloyd.

Jausovec, the seventh seed, dominated the opening set with an assortment of chips and drop shots to go along with her strong serve. She broke Austin in the third, fifth and seventh games as Austin made numerous unforced errors.

It was the first time in six career meetings that Austin had lost a set to Jausovec and only the third time Jausovec had won more than two games in a set. In their first meeting in West Germany in 1978, Austin won 7-6, 6-1. In 1979 at the Italian Open, Austin defeated Jausovec 7-5, 6-2.

But Austin, who lost a three-hour, 18-minute baseline battle to Chris Evert Lloyd Thursday, reassessed her dominance late in the second set. After the two traded breaks in the third and fourth games, Austin broke

Haynes steers Windies to win

PERTH, Australia, Dec. 19 (AP) — A polished unbeaten innings of 82 by opener Desmond Haynes steered the West Indies to an effortless victory over Pakistan in the Benson and Hedges Cup match at the WACA ground here Saturday.

When fast bowler Imran Khan sent down a bouncer at Haynes that was adjudged a wide by umpire Rex Whitehead, the West Indies had won by seven wickets with 7.4 overs to spare, by passing Pakistan's mediocre total of 160.

Haynes, who took 53 minutes to reach

double figures, helped the West Indies to overcome an early crisis when the first two wickets fell with only 21 runs on the board. He was extremely resolute early against some good fast bowling from Imran and Sarfraz Nawaz after the West Indies had lost opener Faouad Baccus for four and master batsman Viv Richards for eight, and he deservedly won the man of the match award.

He gradually blossomed and hit the ball crisply to all parts of the ground. Several of his cover drives were absolute gems. Haynes hit 12 boundaries in his 82 runs that came from 135 deliveries in 171 minutes.

The West Indies bowled spindly Saturday.

Score-board

Bowling: Holding 8-1-15-0; Roberts 8-1-21-0;
Gunner 9-1-23-3; Marshall 9-4-1-33-2; Richards 10-0-52-3.
West Indies (innings):
D. Haynes not out, 82
F. Baccus c Bari b Imran 1, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
V. Richards c Bari b Sarfraz 1, 2
C. Lloyd c and b Raja 32
Imran Khan not out 26
Ejaz Faqil c Haynes b Garner 9
Sarfraz Nawaz c Roberts b Garner 161
Waqar Bari run out 1
Sikandar Bakht c Dujon b Marshall 0
Majid Khan retired hurt 0
Extras 0
Total 160
Fall of wicket: 1-29, 2-61, 3-106, 4-107, 5-148, 6-151, 7-152, 8-156.
Imran 8-2-0-38-1; Sarfraz 10-1-29-1; Sikandar 6-0-27-0; Mudassar 1-0-1-0; Ejaz 6-0-30-0; Raja 10-1-26-1; Misraad 1-0-1-0.

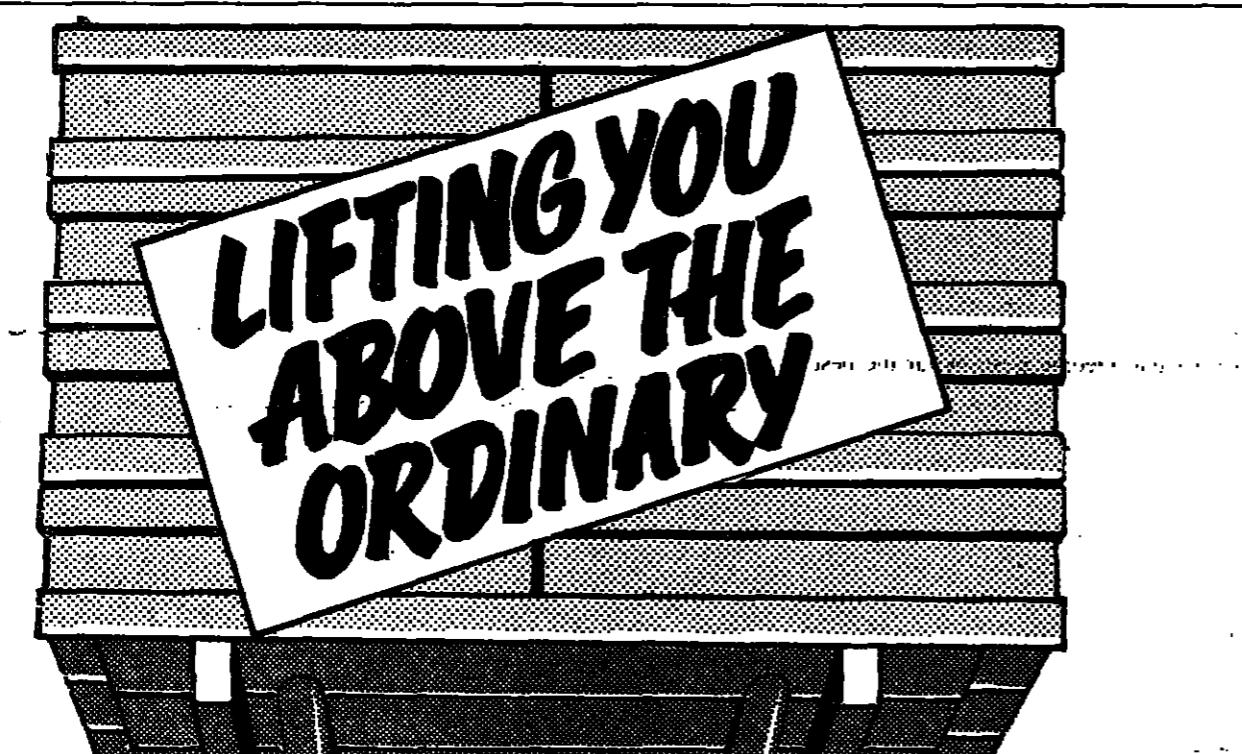
Robin gives Britain fine start

SYDNEY, Dec. 19 (AFP) — Robin Aisher's *Yeoman* led Britain to a fine start Friday in the Southern Cross Yachting series of Sydney.

Yeoman took third place on handicap as the British team wound up the first of the four races in second. Britain's *Yeoman*, *Wee Willie Winkie* and *Mayhem* gathered 82 points to trail the leader on handicap by eight points.

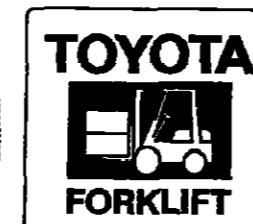
Australia's three Admiral's Cup representatives, *Ragamuffin*, *Apollo V* and *Hitchhiker* had held on 81 points. Hong Kong's *Battler*, *Impetuous* and *Bimble Giambie* had 37 points.

The race, a 30-miler, was won in uncompensated time by the Victorian sloop *Seayester*. For Britain, David May's *Mayhem* took ninth position and *Wee Willie Winkie* tenth.

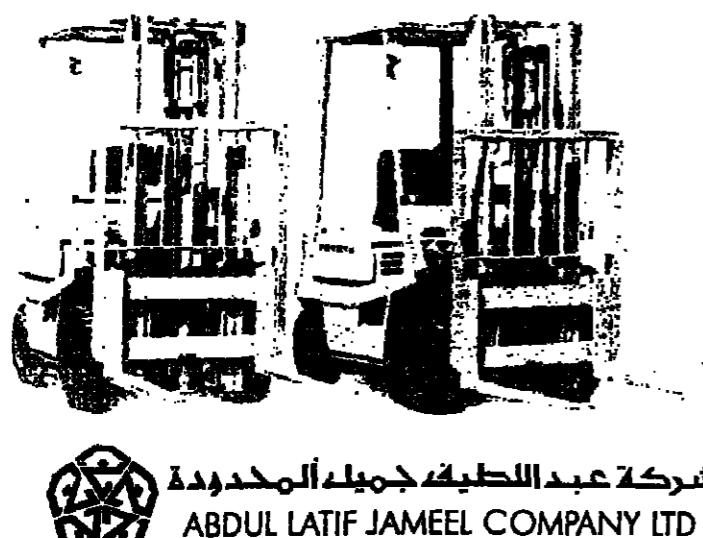


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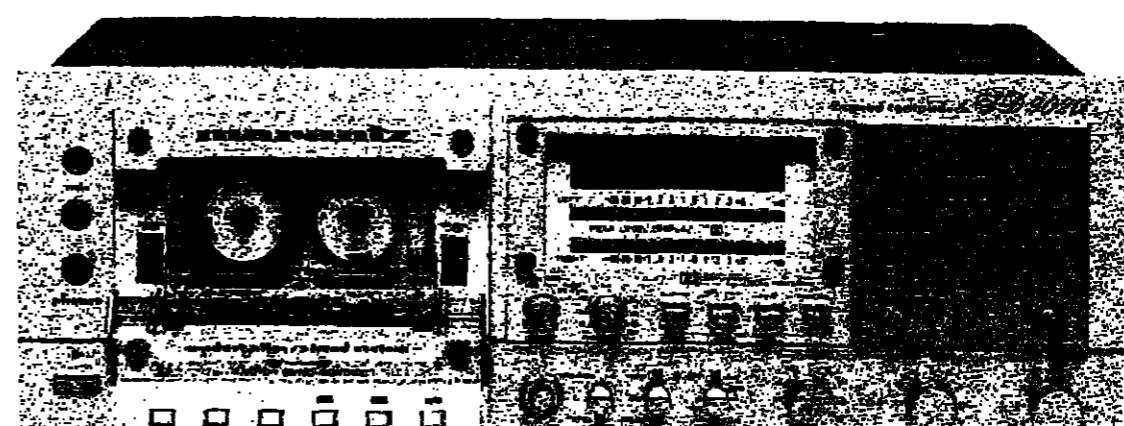


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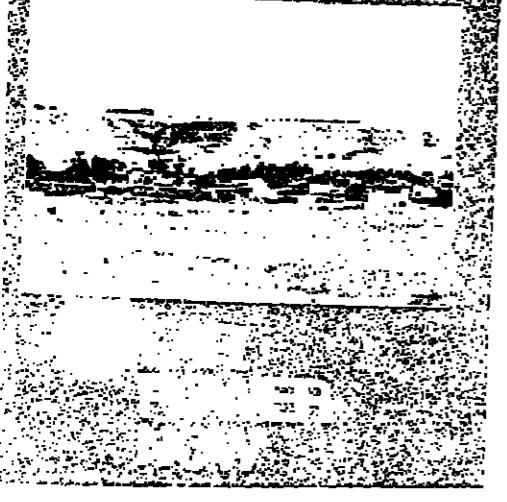
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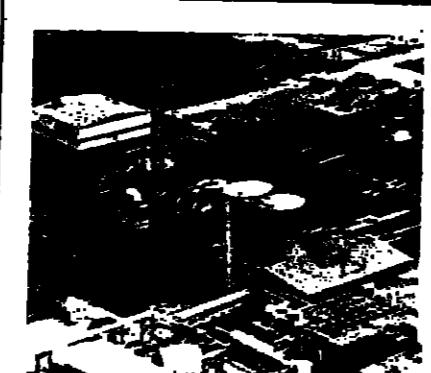
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KEEPING RESOURCES: Dependence on industrialized countries and the worsening terms of trade which transfer resources from the Islamic world can be reversed by assisting each other and by financing the import of goods from within the Islamic countries. *Ahmad Shaaban* analyzes the recommendations made by the experts.

JEDDAH BEAUTIFICATION: Jeddah Mayor Muhammad Said Farsi has initiated a wideranging program for the beautification of Jeddah. Recently the municipality awarded a contract for cleaning the city to Arabian Cleaning Enterprises Ltd. *Habib Rahamas* talks to the resident manager of the company.

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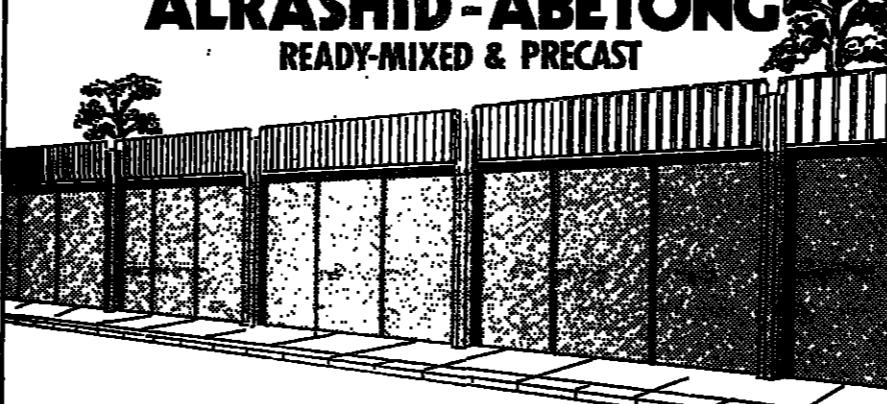
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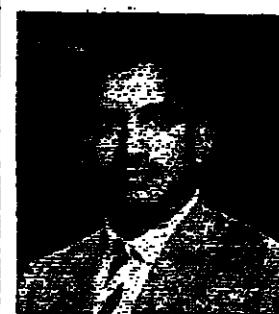
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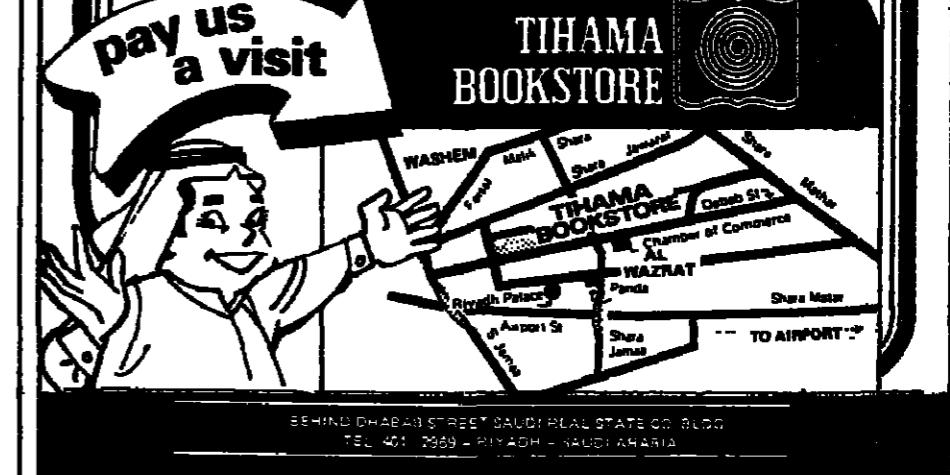
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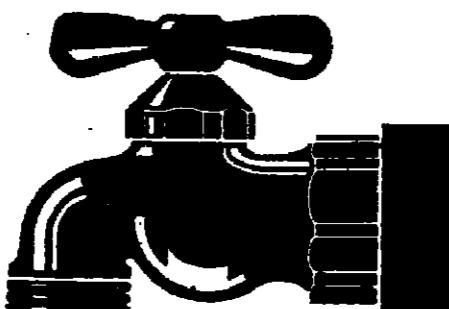
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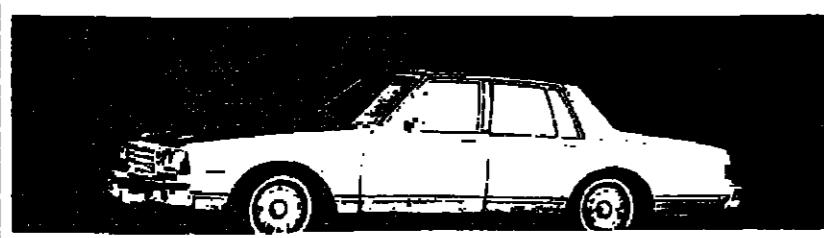
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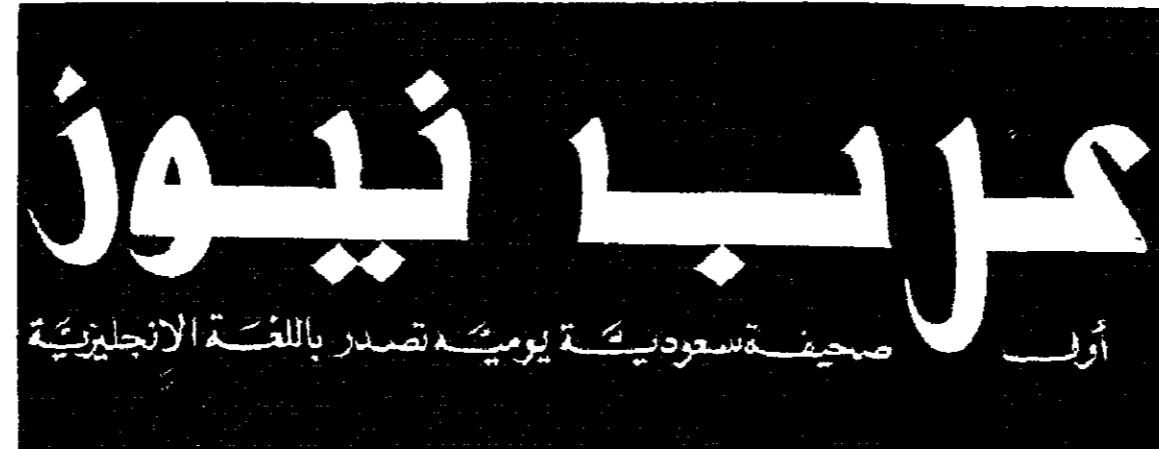
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Attorney general reveals

Spies outnumbering agents in America

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 19 (Agencies) — The United States now contains more foreign spies than agents trying to catch them, according to Attorney General William French Smith.

Smith said Friday that the probable number of foreign spies operating in the United States in various guises had increased sharply in the last decade, but the resources of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) had not similarly increased. "Now the number of hostile agents has grown so much that our FBI counterintelligence agents are

greatly outnumbered," he told a meeting of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, a private, non-profitmaking group.

Smith said President Reagan inherited an intelligence community which had been demoralized and debilitated by six years of public disclosures, denunciation and financial limitations. "Unfortunately, during this same period, our need for a foreign intelligence capability was dramatically increasing," he said.

Smith said the Justice Department was now taking action to implement Reagan's order earlier this month broadening the authority of the Central Intelligence Agency. The order empowered the CIA to operate within the United States for the first time. It enabled the CIA, working in coordination with the FBI, to collect foreign intelligence and to conduct counterintelligence activities directed at "foreign objectives."

Smith did not give an estimate of the number of spies in the United States but he said they worked under various guises. "About one-third of the Soviet Bloc personnel in the United States assigned to embassies, consulates and the United Nations or other international organizations are believed to be full-time intelligence officers," he said.

Other spies posed as trading company representatives, students, scientists or reporters, he said, while a small but significant fraction of recent immigrants or refugees from the Soviet Union and Cuba were also believed to be intelligence agents.

Smith said hostile intelligence services placed a high priority on obtaining scientific and technical information. "High technology products that cannot legally be exported to the Soviet Bloc are frequently sent to 'front' corporations in Western Europe and then trans-shipped to their ultimate destination," he said.

Smith said strong and effective intelligence agencies were needed to combat international terrorism, increased spying, drug trafficking and arms smuggling. "The Reagan administration is firmly committed to revitalizing the U.S. intelligence effort," he said.

Smith said Reagan's two-week-old presidential order governing U.S. intelligence agencies also retained adequate safeguards to protect the civil liberties of Americans. "Secretary cannot be unrestrained in a democracy," he said.

Speculation arose about his health earlier this year when Shehu gave up his additional post of defense minister. But the move was not seen as reflecting on his partnership with Hoxha.

U.K. warns Ulster regiment men

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Dec. 19 (AP) — Members of the Ulster Defense Regiment, the locally recruited unit of the British Army in Northern Ireland, are being told to quit the service if they want to join the Protestant vigilante group "third force," the British news agency Press Association reported Saturday.

The agency quoted Lt. Col. Roger Stock:

Filipinos held hostage

MANILA, Philippines, Dec. 19 (AP) — Armed men who robbed four banks and fled with five hostages have taken 15 more persons captive and reportedly beheaded a Protestant minister, the Philippines news agency reported Saturday.

PNA said Simeon Mejor, a minister of the alliance church in the village of Battang Bogg, 944 km southeast of Manila, was allegedly beheaded for refusing to go with the retreating band after a clash with government troops Friday.

The robbers also burned four houses in a village where the 37 men, dressed as army soldiers, robbed four banks simultaneously last Wednesday.

America to scrap SALT II for new arms control pact

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (R) — The Reagan administration, despite the urging of arms control advocates that it seek to renegotiate SALT II, has decided to scrap the moribund treaty and propose a radical new approach to nuclear arms control.

This conclusion emerged from interviews with Pentagon and State Department officials who told Reuters the administration was conducting a review expected to produce an entirely new proposal calling for major cuts in nuclear arms. Key decisions about the U.S. negotiating stance still must be made, they said.

Despite their complexity and some disputes within the administration, the officials predicted this would be done in time to fulfil the president's commitment to open a new round of strategic arms talks with Moscow early next year. Secretary of State Alexander Haig and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko are to hold preliminary discussions on this subject in Geneva late next month.

Arms control advocates, including members of the administration of former President Jimmy Carter, have urged the new administration to use the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty (SALT II) signed by Carter and Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev in 1979 as a starting point.

By proposing amendments to correct



LEFT? RIGHT? : With the elections for a new president of Finland due in January 1982, European observers are keen to see if the country will move to the left or right. It will be the first change of head of state for Finland since 1956, when President Kekkonen was elected. He has now retired. Picture shows the changing of the military guard outside the president's palace in Helsinki. (Bettmann)

Mugabe says reconciliation to continue despite explosion

SALISBURY, Dec. 19 (R) — Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe Saturday expressed horror at the bombing of his ZANU-PF Party's headquarters but said the incident would increase unity in the country rather than destroy it.

He told an airport news conference before leaving on a five-day visit to Mozambique that the bomb, which wrecked the five-story building in a main shopping street, had killed six innocent persons and wounded 84. The government earlier said the blast, which caused increased political and racial tension in Salisbury, had injured up to 150 persons.

Mugabe, who had just spent 45 minutes visiting the injured at a central Salisbury hospital, said the incident would not end his policy of postwar reconciliation between the country's racial and tribal groups.

"If the cowardly act was intended to sow seeds of dissent among the people of Zimbabwe, I can assure you that it will have the opposite effect of bringing us together, regardless of our race and color, in condemnation of the incident itself and in quest for greater peace, unity, understanding and the maintenance of law and order in the country," the prime minister said.

Mugabe said groups existed in the country which had rejected the spirit of national reconciliation created to heal wounds left by

the seven-year Rhodesian War between white minority rule and black nationalism. "I can assure you that we do not want to foist upon those who reject this spirit our own will. If they reject reconciliation, reconciliation will also reject them," he said. Earlier, Mugabe spoke to a girl injured in the blast. He said he felt a "deep sense of horror and shock at this murderous and dastardly bombing."

Mugabe has pursued a policy of reconciliation between former enemies since coming to power between his black nationalist guerrillas and the former Rhodesia's white rulers. He admitted recently that the policy has received some serious setbacks, accusing white politicians of plotting a coup and South African agents within the country of causing explosions which wrecked an army munitions dump four months ago.

Last month, a white army captain who served with the Rhodesian forces during the war was arrested in connection with the munitions dump explosions but escaped from prison with a white Zimbabwean detective investigating his case.

Police say they have so far found no clues to the origin of Friday's bomb which tore off the roof of the five-story building, wrecked a bakery next door and shattered windows a hundred yards away.

In Pakistan, IPI reported, the law minister has said that so long as the ban on political activity continued, there would be no justification.

Politicians in power continued to abuse the press, and journalists are regularly described as "scorpions", "poison", "enemies of the people" and worse, the institute said, commenting that this was an indication that the Indian press was back in exercising its freedom.

In Thailand, IPI reported, the law minister has said that so long as the ban on political activity continued, there would be no justification.

Air Chief Marshal Siti Sawettsala also retains the foreign affairs portfolio with Arun Phamphong remaining his deputy, in the 44th government since the country adopted constitutional monarchy in 1932.

The reshuffle is aimed at boosting the government's parliamentary standing in the face of a swelling opposition, notably mounting support for former Premier Chomnan, seen as seeking a comeback under the banner of his National Democracy Party (NDP).

BANGKOK, Dec. 19 (AFP) — Thailand Saturday announced a new cabinet lineup, the third coalition government headed by Premier Prem Tinsulanonda since he came to power in March 1980. Under a royal command read over Radio Thailand, Gen. Prem concurrently remains defense minister.

Meanwhile, Arab ambassadors in the United Nations welcomed the U.S. decision to suspend the Strategic Alliances with skepticism. "We welcome this as a signal from the United States to Israel, but we do not think it is adequate enough to generate pressure to deter Israel from its expansionist policies," said Clovis Maksoud, U.N. observer of the 21-member Arab League. Maksoud's skepticism stemmed from the fact that the United States had only briefly suspended shipment of F-16 jet fighters to Israel following last June's Israeli bombing raid on the Iraqi nuclear research center.

Maksoud said the true test of "U.S. determination to translate its displeasure" into concrete action would be if Washington supported U.N. Security Council sanctions if Israel fails to rescind its annexation of the Golan Heights. However, the Arab ambassador expressed optimism that the suspension "might be a prelude to a reassessment" of Washington's relationship with Israel.

In Taipei, the Nationalist Chinese Foreign Ministry Saturday criticized Israel's occupation of the Golan Heights, saying it violates international law and would lead to further tension in the Middle East. The move, the ministry said, also would jeopardize peace and stability in the Middle East region.

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Indochina conference ends

U.S. threatening peace, Socialist bloc charges

VIENTIANE, Dec. 19 (AFP) — Deputy foreign ministers of the pro-Soviet Socialist bloc wound up a two-day conference here Saturday, releasing a final document denouncing the "threat" to world peace from "imperialist circles led by the United States".

The ministers also expressed support for the "peace initiatives" put forward by Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev. The conference, called by the three Communist-ruled Indochinese states (Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia) and officially described as a "working consultative conference", opened Friday.

Analysts here said the "final document" broke no new ground. Participants hailed efforts by Asian governments and peoples aimed "at ensuring peace and security" and underscored the "constructive proposals" made by the Indochinese bloc to the pro-Western Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). They also praised India's "constructive peace policy".

Laotian Vice Premier Phoumi Vongvichit, who chaired the closing session, called the final document a "grandiose illustration" of the "fighting solidarity" uniting the Socialist community. He said the conference was a powerful encouragement for the three Indochinese states.

The conference meanwhile charged that China and the United States were threatening peace in Asia. The Soviet Union, the participants said, could in "no way be regarded

Across Straits of Gibraltar

Europe-Africa tunnel planned

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AFP) — A bridge or tunnel across the Straits of Gibraltar would have "incalculable" political and economic consequences," a senior Moroccan official has reported.

A report by Moroccan royal cabinet official, Kabaj, published Friday said such a link between Europe and Africa is particularly necessary because it fits perfectly into the outline for Arab, African and European transport networks.

The report said it would also serve perfectly all West African countries and would give access to the whole of Africa, it was learnt here.

The report said that several international bodies had made several recommendations concerning the link. Among these was the fourth African road conference held in Nairobi in January 1980 and the second conference of transport ministers held in Addis Ababa in March 1981.

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The report considered several schemes including a tunnel beneath the seabed, a prefabricated tunnel lying along the seabed, a floating tunnel anchored to the Rock of Gibraltar — to the "People's Republic of Kampuchea" (the pro-Hanoi rival Phnom Penh government).

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